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11/28/73	454. Photos of [redacted]	[redacted]
11/28/73	455. Photos of Allen Fairfax Cooper.	Sub. 663
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1/22/74	460. Photo of Ernest F. Wahlmacher.	Sub. 353
1/23/74	461. Photo of [redacted]	[redacted]
1/23/74	462. Copy of Calif. Drivers Lic. for Jack Hamlett.	[redacted]
1/23/74	463. 25 copies of photos of [redacted]	[redacted]
2/14/74	464. Photos of Sheridan Peterson	[redacted]
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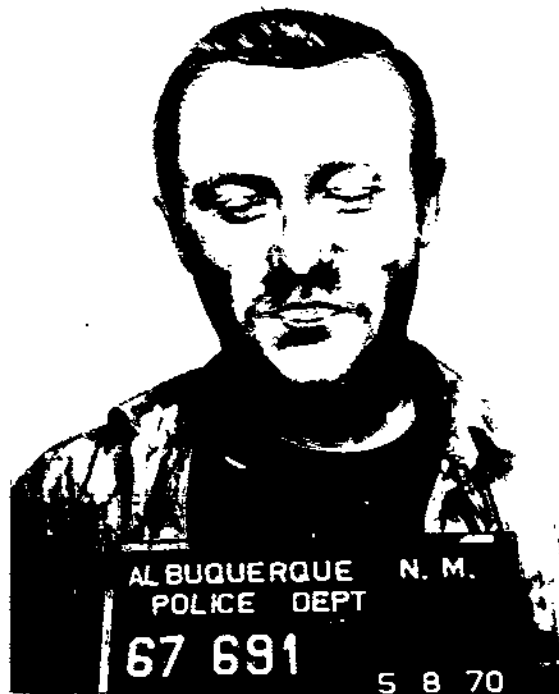
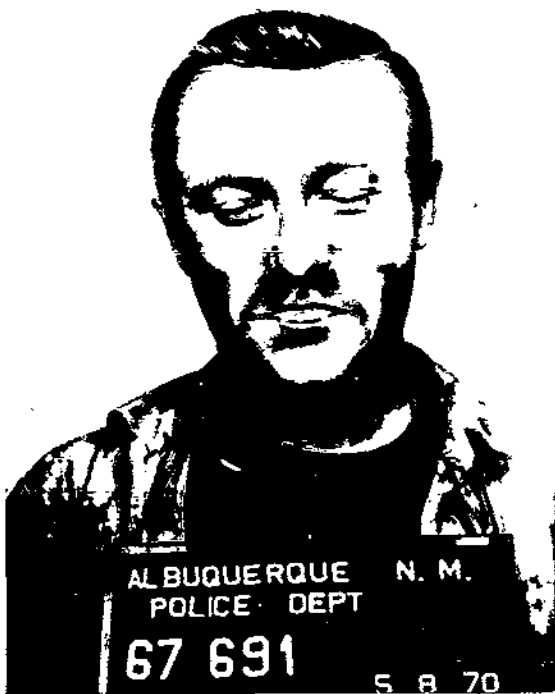
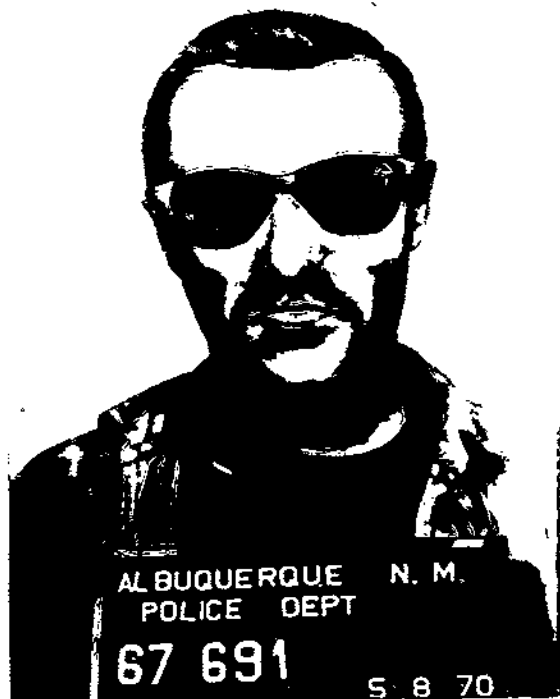
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## Description:

*Photos of Allen  
Fairfax Cooper**Sub 663**See serial 5041*



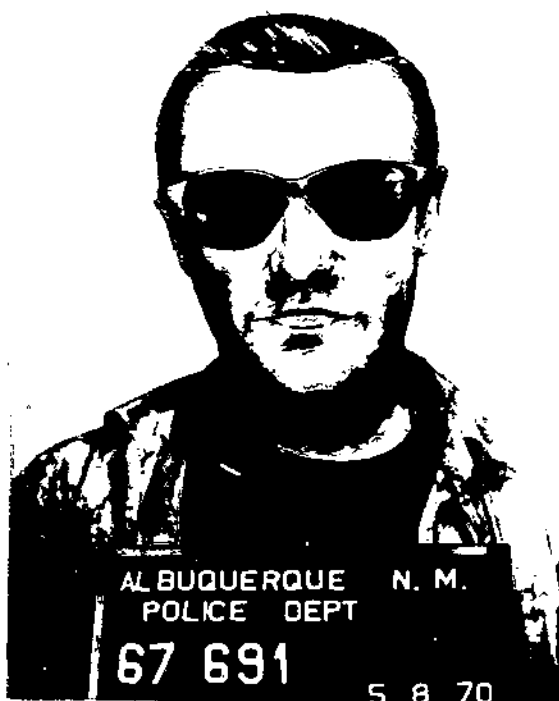
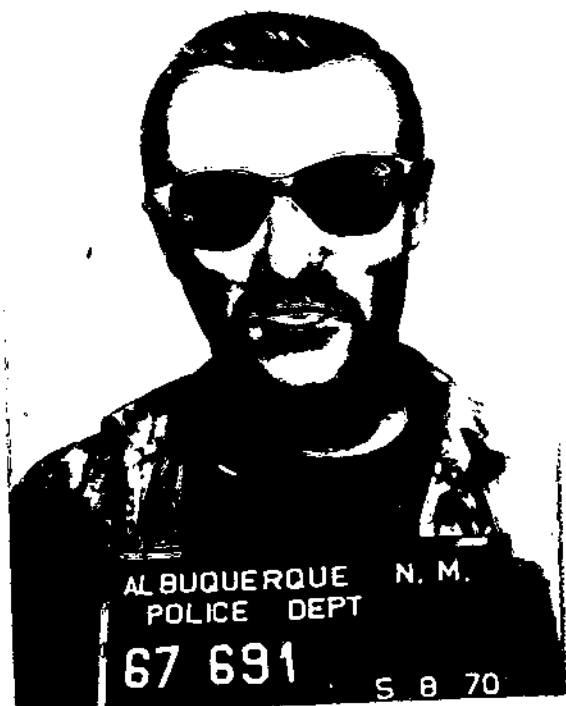
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA RONALD E. SHERK

SUBJECT: UNSUB; Northwest Flight 305,  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING ; EXTORTION  
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FRANK LEWIS, Fire Management Branch Chief, U. S. Forest Service, Multnomah Bldg, Portland, Ore. 226-3361 X-2121 stated that there are ~~four~~ only 3 USFS Smoke Jump Centers in Oregon and Washington, located as follows:

Inter City Airport, between Twisp and Winthrop, Wash., FRANCIS B. LUFKIN, Mgr. (Teletype has been sent to Seattle re this)

Cave Junction, Oregon, DELOS DUTTON, Manager. (I telephoned this lead to Mullaney at 11:45 am 11/29/71).

Redmond, Oregon, JAMES ALLAN, Manager. [ ] is to handle this lead. [ ]

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Date: 12/2/71

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT  
(Priority)

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 2 P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE; CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE; BUFILE ONE SIX FOUR-TWO ONE ONE ONE.

AT APPROXIMATELY TWO PM THIS DATE, ONE [REDACTED] TELEPHONED PORTLAND OFFICE ADVISING HE WAS CALLING FROM EPHRATA, WASHINGTON, A TOWN HE IS PASSING THROUGH EN ROUTE TO [REDACTED]. HE IS DRIVING A BROWN NINETEEN SIXTY FOUR PONTIAC STATION WAGON, WASHINGTON LICENSE UNKNOWN. [REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] TRAVELING WITH HIM, HAVE OBSERVED ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNSUB THIS MATTER AND CONCLUDED HE IS IDENTICAL WITH ONE (FNU) [REDACTED],

[REDACTED] SUSPECT [REDACTED] FITS DESCRIPTION OF UNSUB AND IS [REDACTED] DECLINED TO [REDACTED] FURNISH FURTHER DETAILS OVER TELEPHONE BUT AGREED TO STOP AT [REDACTED] PD AFTER ARRIVAL AND WILL LEAVE

1-Portland  
RPH:smp (2)

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ADDRESS WHERE SPENDING THE NIGHT. HE EXPECTS TO ARRIVE AT  TODAY. SEATTLE HANDLE.b6  
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409 PM URGENT 12-2-71 EB

TO PORTLAND 164-41

FROM LAS VEGAS 164-60

WITNESS: [REDACTED]

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UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER, HIJACKING, NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTY-ONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

1:43 PM 12/2/71

RE PORTLAND TEL THIS DATE FURNISHING INFORMATION FROM [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], CARSON CITY, NEVADA, LOCATED THIS DATE. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] WENT OUT OF BUSINESS OVER FOUR YEARS AGO AND [REDACTED], CARSON

CITY. [REDACTED] ADVISED HE DID NOT HAVE ANYBODY AS A PARTNER NAMED [REDACTED] AND HE DOES NOT RECALL ANYBODY WORKING FOR HIM WITH THAT NAME. HE EXPLAINED HE HAD MANY EMPLOYEES WHO WORKED FOR A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME AND HE DOES NOT HAVE ANY RECORDS OF THAT OPERATION.

PORTLAND IMMEDIATELY RE-INTERVIEW [REDACTED] AND OBTAIN PARTICULARS AS TO HOW SHE MET [REDACTED] THROUGH [REDACTED]. THE BEST POSSIBLE DESCRIPTION SHE CAN RECALL, IN PARTICULAR WHY SHE FEELS THE COMPOSITE PICTURE OF UNSUB IS IDENTICAL WITH [REDACTED] (LNU).

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(Priority)TO: SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

Summary TELETYPE

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER  
TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO SE.

## SUMMARY TELETYPE.

"OREGONIAN," NEWSPAPER, PORTLAND, OREGON, RECEIVED  
LETTER SIGNED D. B. COOPER STATING, "AM ALIVE AND DOING WELL  
IN HOME TOWN PO. THE SYSTEM THAT BEATS THE SYSTEM." BODY  
OF LETTER IS LETTERING CUT FROM NEWSPAPER OR MAGAZINE.  
ENVELOPE IS HANDPRINTED. ENVELOPE AND LETTER FORWARDED TO  
FBI LABORATORY WITH COPIES TO SEATTLE.

~~THIS DATE~~  
PRIMARY INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITY CONCENTRATED ON  
SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF LOOKALIKE LEADS.

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION TO DATE NEGATIVE.

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Special Agent in ChargeSent 5:29 PM Per [Signature]



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5:57 PM NITEL 12/2/71 CMH

TO DIRECTOR 164-2111

SEATTLE 164-81

PORTLAND 164-41

LITTLE ROCK

PHILADELPHIA

FROM MINNEAPOLIS 164-73

*No P+D LEADS*

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER  
TWENTYFOUR LAST, CAA DASH HIJACKING, OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE DECEMBER ONE LAST, MINNEAPOLIS  
TELEPHONE CALL TO SEATTLE DECEMBER TWO INSTANT, AND BUREAU  
TELEPHONE CALL TO MINNEAPOLIS DECEMBER TWO INSTANT.

RE: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] PHOTO DISPLAYED TO NWA STEWARDESSES

[REDACTED] DECEMBER TWO INSTANT,

AND BOTH STATED HE IN NO WAY RESEMBLED UNSUB.

RE: [REDACTED]

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INFORMATION FURNISHED TO NWA, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA,  
BY ANONYMOUS SOURCE SUGGESTING [REDACTED] AS POSSIBLE SUBJECT.

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[REDACTED] AT SEATTLE AND RESIDED AT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON. DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, DOB

[REDACTED]  
FEET [REDACTED] INCHES, WEIGHT ONE HUNDRED SIXTYFIVE, DARK  
BROWN HAIR, BROWN EYES.

SEATTLE REQUESTED TO CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION  
CONCERNING [REDACTED]. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Date: 12/2/71

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TO: LAS VEGAS (164-60)  
 SEATTLE (164-81)  
 FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

UNSUB: NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE CAA -  
 HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE

RE TWO TELEPHONE CALLS FROM SA [ ] TO SAC, PORTLAND, AND  
 FROM SAC, PORTLAND, TO SA [ ] INSTANT.

[ ] BUILDING LOCATED AT FOUR ONE NINE FIVE  
 CEDAR HILLS BOULEVARD, ADVISED HE HAS NEVER HEARD OF [ ]  
 AND ABOVE ADDRESS HAS ALWAYS BEEN OCCUPIED BY GOLD REY FOREST  
 PRODUCTS, INC.

STATE OF OREGON MVR RECORDS SHOW [ ], DOB [ ]

[ ], BEAVERTON, OREGON,  
 HAVING CLEAR TITLE TO VEHICLE BEARING LICENSE NUMBER [ ]

[ ] STATE OF OREGON MVR HAS NO RECORD OF [ ] AS  
 A LICENSED DRIVER.

STATE OF OREGON, REAL ESTATE DIVISION, HAS NO RECORD OF [ ]  
 AS A LICENSED REALTOR.

THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES WERE CONTACTED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS:

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PACIFIC NORTHWESTERN BELL, GENERAL TELEPHONE COMPANY, PORTLAND  
PD, AND BEAVERTON PD.

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Date: 12/2/71

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Via TELETYPE NITEL

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TO: DIRECTOR (164-2111) &amp; SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR NINETEEN SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. OO SEATTLE.

PORTLAND SUGGESTS CODENAME BE AUTHORIZED FOR USE IN  
TITLE OF COMMUNICATIONS THIS CASE. PORTLAND RECOMMENDS  
"NORJACK." IF THIS IS NOT ACCEPTABLE, BUREAU REQUESTED TO  
CONSIDER AUTHORIZING ANOTHER CODE NAME. P.

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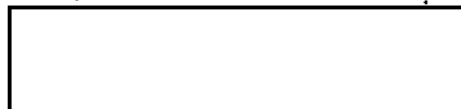
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TO: ST. LOUIS, PORTLAND 164-41, AND

SEATTLE 164-81

FROM: CHARLOTTE 164-101 2P


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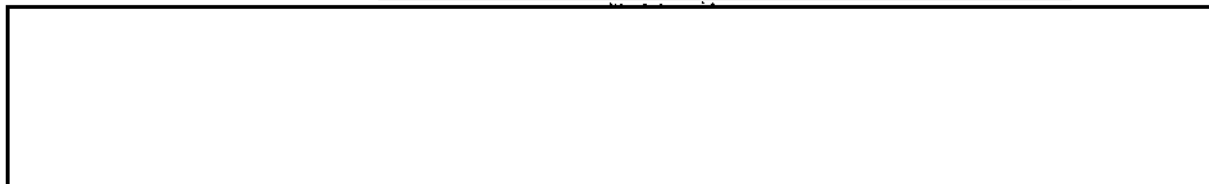
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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, CAA - HIJACKING. OO: SEATTLE.

RE JACKSON TELETYPE TO CHARLOTTE DATED NOVEMBER  
THIRTY, LAST.

FOR INFORMATION ST. LOUIS, A SOURCE, UPON VIEWING  
ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNSUB IN NEWSPAPER, ADVISED IT IS  
A GOOD LIKENESS TO 

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CREDIT, AND IDENTIFICATION CHECKS [REDACTED], N. C.,  
NEGATIVE, POST LOCATOR, [REDACTED], N. C., NEGATIVE,  
AND NO OTHER RECORD AVAILABLE AT [REDACTED] TO IDENTIFY  
[REDACTED]. INQUIRY AT RECORDS HOLDING, [REDACTED] REVEALED  
[REDACTED]

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AND ALL RECORDS TRANSFERRED TO ST. LOUIS REPOSITORY.

FOR INFORMATION SEATTLE THEIR LOOK ALIKE AS FURNISHED  
BY PHOENIX IDENTIFIED AS [REDACTED]  
AND REPORTEDLY RESIDING [REDACTED], N. C.

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ST. LOUIS ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY [REDACTED] IN MILITARY  
RECORDS AND SE FORTH LEAD TO IDENTIFY AND / OR ELIMINATE  
HIM AS SUBJECT.

CHARLOTTE INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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845 PM NITEL 12-2-71 GEJ

TO DIRECTOR, PORTLAND, SEATTLE, AND SACRAMENTO  
FROM LAS VEGAS 164-60 2P

D.B. COOPER LTR  
RENO  
NO PD LEADS

UNSUB; HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING, EXTORTION  
OO: PORTLAND.

[REDACTED] RENO GAZETTE, THIS DATE ADVISED  
ANOTHER NOTE RECEIVED IN AFTERNOON MAIL. NOTE ON LINED PAPER  
WITH WORDS CUT FROM NEWSPAPER PASTED ON IT.

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NOTE STATES, "PLAN AHEAD FOR RETIREMENT INCOME D. B. COOPER."  
ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO RENO GAZETTE, RENO, NEVADA, AND POST MARKED  
U. S. POSTAL SERVICE, CA NINE FIVE SIX, PM, DECEMBER ONE, NINETEEN  
SEVENTYONE.

POST OFFICE, RENO, ADVISED NINE FIVE SIX IS NUMBER FOR  
SACRAMENTO SECTOR AND TAKES IN NUMEROUS SMALLER TOWNS.

[REDACTED] ALSO ADVISED A NEWSPAPER IN VANCOUVER, B.C., HAD  
RECEIVED A NOTE ACCORDING TO WIRE SERVICE STORY.

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SEATTLE, THROUGH LIAISON SOURCES ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN NOTE  
FROM VANCOUVER PAPER.

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1115 PM URGENT 12-2-71 SGW

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

LAS VEGAS

PORTLAND

SEATTLE

FROM NEW YORK (164-627)

*No PD LEADS*

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; HIJACKING NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT  
THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOURTH, NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE;  
CRIME ABOARD AIRCRAFT HIJACKING; OFFICE OF ORIGIN: SEATTLE.

RENY TELEPHONE CALL TO SEATTLE, DATED DECEMBER FIRST,  
NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE.

ON DECEMBER FIRST, NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE, DETECTIVE [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY POLICE DEPARTMENT, LA GUARDIA  
AIRPORT, QUEENS, NEW YORK, ADVISED BUREAU AGENTS OF AN  
INCIDENT OCCURRING AT LA GUARDIA AIRPORT IN THE SPRING OF  
NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE, WHICH MAY BE PERTINENT TO INSTANT CASE.

[REDACTED] ADVISED IN THE SPRING OF NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE, TWO WHITE  
MALE INDIVIDUALS, IDENTIFYING THEMSELVES AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] APPEARED AT THE EASTERN AIRLINES TICKETS OFFICE,  
LA GUARDIA AIRPORT, NEW YORK CITY (NYC), AND ATTEMPTED TO  
PURCHASE TICKETS FOR A FLIGHT TO MIAMI WITH A FRAUDULENT CREDIT  
CARD. THE TICKET AGENT, RECOGNIZING THE FRAUDULENT CREDIT CARD,

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ATTEMPTED TO STALL THE TWO PASSENGERS. THE TWO PERSONS LEFT THE COUNTER ABRUPTLY, BUT HAD PREVIOUSLY CHECKED IN THEIR LUGGAGE, WHICH THEY HAD LEFT BEHIND.

LUGGAGE THEN BECAME PROPERTY OF PORT AUTHORITY POLICE DEPARTMENT. UPON INSPECTION OF LUGGAGE BY DEECTIVE [REDACTED], IT COULD BE ASCERTAINED THAT ONE OR BOTH OF THESE INDIVIDUALS WAS AN EXPERIENCED AND ACTIVE SPORTS PARACHUTIST. A PERSONAL LETER, WHICH WAS LOCATED IN THE LUGGAGE, INDICATES THIS INDIVIDUAL WAS PROBABLY INCARCERATED AT ONE TIME. THE INDIVIDUAL TO WHOM THIS LUGGAGE BELONGS IS POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH [REDACTED], WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS WAS [REDACTED]

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BASED ON THE ABOVE FACTS, DETECTIVE [REDACTED] MADE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS AVAILABLE TO BUREAU AGENTS:

ONE) [REDACTED]

TWO) NEWSPAPER CLIPPING FROM SAN DIEGO UNION, REGARDING SKYDIVING, DATED NOVEMBER TWENTY EIGHTH, NINETEEN SIXTY SIX.

THREE) NEWSPAPER CLIPPING FROM LOS ANGELES TIMES, REGARDING SKYDIVING, DATED JULY TWENTY THIRD, NINETEEN SEVENTY.

FOUR) [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE.

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FIVE) ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO [REDACTED]

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SIX) INSURANCE POLICY UNDER NAME OF [REDACTED]

SEVEN) FOUR COPIES OF A LETTER FROM [REDACTED]

EIGHT) LETTER FROM [REDACTED]

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NINE) NOTE WRITTEN ON STATIONERY OF NEW YORK HILTON HOTEL.

TEN) SALES RECEIPT FROM PLAZA TELVISON CENTER, ONE TWO SEVEN TWO TWO SHERMAN WAY, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA.

ELEVEN) SKETCH OF A PARACHUTE.

TWELVE SPORTS PARACHUTIST'S LOG BOOK.

THIRTEEN PERSONAL LETTER ADDRESSED TO [REDACTED]

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FOURTEEN) FIVE LETTERS REGARDING [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE OFFICE OF CONFERENCE DIRECTOR, USPA.

FIFTEEN) TWO BUSINESS CARDS FOR JACK'S FASHIONS, NINEEEN TWENTY THREE FIRST STREET, SAN FERNANDO, CALIFORNIA.

SIXTEEN) BUSINESS CARD FOR DI'S TROPHIES, SEVEN EIGHT FOUR SIX CLAYBOURNE AVENUE, SUN VALLEY, CALIFORNIA.

SEVENTEEN) PERSONAL NOTE ON STATIONERY OF HOTEL MC ALPIN.

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EIGHTEEN) TWO PERSONAL NOTES WITH PHONE NUMBERS.

NINETEEN TWO EIGHT BY TEN BLACK AND WHITE PHOTOS.

TWENTY) THIRTY BLACK AND WHITE PHOTOS OF VARIOUS SIZES.

TWENTY ONE) SIX COLOR SLIDES (THIRTY FIVE MILLIMETER).

TWENTY TWO FIFTY SIX COLOR PHOTOS OF VARIOUS SIZES.

TWENTY THREE PACKAGE CONTAINING TWELVE COLOR NEGATIVES.

TWENTY FIVE) RIBBON FOR CONTESTANT IN NINETEEN SEVENTY  
APC WINTER INVITATIONAL.

THE ABOVE ITEMS ARE TO BE FORWARDED TO SEATTLE UNDER  
SPARATE COMMUNICATION AND NEED NOT BE RETURNED. ALL LEADS  
BASED UPON THE ABOVE DESCRIBED MATERIAL BEING LEFT TO THE  
DISCRETION OF SEATTLE.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)

DATE: 12/2/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
(OO: SEATTLE)

## ARMED AND DANGEROUS

At 3:30 p.m., on 12/1/71, [REDACTED] (protect identity), [REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED], employed by [REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED] telephonically advised this Agent that the composite sketch which has appeared in "The Oregonian" closely resembles an individual by the name of [REDACTED] with whom [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] described [REDACTED] as follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Height	5'11" to 6'1"
Weight	170-180 pounds
Face	Thin
Hair	Brown-thin
Age	[REDACTED] years

[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] is [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Vancouver, Washington. He stated that [REDACTED] has had [REDACTED]

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The Portland Telephone Directory lists a [REDACTED] [REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED]

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AT PORTLAND, OREGON. Conduct appropriate investigation relative to [REDACTED] to determine if [REDACTED] identical with Unsub.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P) DATE: 12/1/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Air Lines  
Flight 305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
(OO: Seattle)

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On 11/30/71 at 11:10 a.m., [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Portland, Oregon,  
telephone [REDACTED], reported that she had met a stranger  
man on 11/26/71 at 10:00 a.m. at the local bus depot in  
Portland. She described him as follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Age	Approximately [REDACTED] years
Height	5'10"
Weight	150 pounds
Hair	Brown
Complexion	Medium

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This man had engaged her in conversation while  
on a bus trip from Portland to Seattle. He gave a name of  
[REDACTED] and stated he was from Vancouver, B.C. and had  
[REDACTED] in Reno, Nevada. She felt from  
their conversation that he really knew very little about  
Reno. When they arrived in Seattle, he unexpectedly departed  
after putting on a large pair of dark glasses.

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During the trip to Seattle, he carried with him  
a reddish-tan luggage bag. He mentioned that he had stayed  
at the Mapes Hotel in Reno. He stated his interests are  
[REDACTED]. He also stated that he  
had [REDACTED] and that he  
worked [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], in Vancouver, B.C. He mentioned that he [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] in Vancouver.

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*She said the photos like composite photo 64-41-190*

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*TEL TO LAS VEGAS*  
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The following investigation was conducted by SA  
JOHN N. CAMPBELL and SA [redacted] at Portland, Oregon:

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On November 29, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted], advised that [redacted]  
[redacted], Portland, telephone [redacted], gave him a  
picture of [redacted] advised that [redacted] is  
the male in the picture wearing the [redacted]  
[redacted].

[redacted] described [redacted] as follows:

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Sex	Male
Race	White
Height	6 feet
Weight	165 to 170 pounds
Age	Could not say at all
Complexion	Dark
Home town	[redacted]
Previous employer	Seattle, Washington
Hobby	[redacted]

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 2, 1971

[redacted] "The Oregonian,"  
1320 S.W. Broadway, Portland, Oregon, made available an  
envelope and letter received by "The Oregonian" in the  
morning mail on 12/2/71.

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The letter was constructed of letters clipped from  
a magazine and mounted on a piece of yellow paper, and reads  
"Am alive and doing well in home town P.O. The system  
that beats the system. D. B. Cooper." The letter was  
received in an envelope addressed to the "Editor--Oregonian,  
1320 S.W. Broadway 97201" postmarked P.M., December 1, 1971,  
U.S. Postal Service 970.

The letter was handled by the following individuals  
who are employees of "The Oregonian:"

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[redacted]  
[redacted] advised [redacted] opened the letter  
and then the letter was carried to [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] who handled the letter.

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b7cOn 12/2/71 at Portland, OregonFile # PD 164-41-192by SA [redacted] /n jmDate dictated 12/2/71b6  
b7c

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it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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AIRMAIL - REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
(OO: Seattle)

Re Bureau airtel to all offices except Seattle,  
Portland and Las Vegas, 11/29/71.

Enclosed for Bureau are two copies of FD-302  
dated 12/2/71, of [redacted] and the originals of an  
envelope and a letter which are described in the FD-302.

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Enclosed for Seattle are two copies of the  
FD-302 and two copies each of the envelope and letter.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU, FBI LABORATORY

The FBI Laboratory is requested to conduct a  
fingerprint examination of the envelope and letter. Elimination  
prints have not been obtained from those individuals handling  
the documents, but if such prints would be of any value, Portland  
will obtain same upon request of the FBI Laboratory.

- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 4)(AM)(RM)
- 2 - Seattle (Enc. 6)(164-81)
- ② - Portland

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*NPB*  
*[Signature]*

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9:17 AM URGENT 12-3-71, LXL

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SEATTLE (164-81)

PORTLAND (164-41)

LAS VEGAS (164-60)

FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) 1P

PHOTOGRAPHIC PLANE  
NO PD LEADS

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.  
OO: SEATTLE.

RE SACRAMENTO TEL TO BUREAU, DECEMBER ONE, LAST.

BEALE AFB, CALIF. HAS OFFERED FREE OF CHARGE TO BUREAU USE OF SR SEVEN ONE AIRCRAFT TO PHOTOGRAPH TERRAIN OVER WHICH CAPTIONED FLIGHT PROGRESSED SOUTH OF SEATTLE TO RENO. THIS AIRCRAFT, DESCRIBED AS EXREMELY SOPHISTICATED AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE PLANE, WILL PHOTOGRAPH TWENTY MILE WIDE STRIP WITH PHOTOGRAPHIC RESOLUTION ABLE TO DETECT OBJECTS TWO FEET SQUARE ON GROUND. FILM STRIP WILL BE REVIEWED BY TRAINED, QUALIFIED USAF PERSONNEL.

BUREAU MAY DISCONTINUE EFFORTS TO OBTAIN RB FIVE SEVEN - F AIRCRAFT PURSUANT TO REQUEST SET FORTH IN RETEL.

END.

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Re: [redacted]

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The following investigation was conducted by SA  
THOMAS J. DUGAN on December 1, 1971:

A request was made of the Motor Vehicle Department  
(MVD), Salem, Oregon, concerning driver's license issued  
to [redacted], West Linn, Oregon.

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By state teletype the MVD advised that [redacted]  
[redacted], West Linn, Oregon, was issued Oregon  
driver's license [redacted]. He was born [redacted], was  
six feet tall and 195 pounds.

[redacted] Oregon City, Oregon, Police Depart-  
ment, made available their file [redacted] which contained in-  
formation concerning [redacted]

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[redacted] His date of  
birth was listed as [redacted] and he gave an address  
of [redacted], Oregon City, which is the address of  
[redacted]

[redacted] advised that he [redacted]

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He said he last saw [redacted] about a month ago and that [redacted] comes  
close to fitting the description of the unknown subject who  
hijacked the Northwest Airline flight in November, 1971.

He advised particularly that [redacted]  
[redacted] were similar. He said, however, that [redacted]  
was not the same and that [redacted] He  
also believed that [redacted] now weighs over 200 pounds. He said  
that [redacted] and that he is very

[redacted] However, he doubts that [redacted] is identical with this  
"skyjacker."

He advised that [redacted] is currently working [redacted]  
[redacted]  
Portland, Oregon.

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[redacted] West Linn, Oregon,  
advised that he is familiar with [redacted] who did  
some [redacted] He  
stated that [redacted] belongs to one of the [redacted] in  
the area and [redacted]. He believed  
that [redacted]. He  
advised that [redacted]

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[redacted]  
[redacted] advised that on November 24, 1971,  
[redacted]  
who is employed in [redacted], located  
[redacted], Portland.

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9:33AM URGENT 12/3/71 VAB

TO PORTLAND

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) (P) 1P

*TICKET STUB*

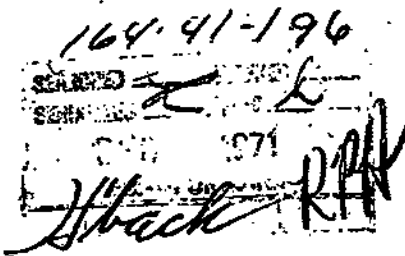
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE; CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE; BUFILE ONE SIX FOUR - TWO ONE ONE ONE.

PORTLAND IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE SEATTLE WHETHER TICKET TAKEN FROM UNKNOWN SUBJECT AT TIME HE BOARDED FLIGHT AT PORTLAND HAS BEEN OBTAINED AND FORWARD TO IDENTIFICATION DIVISION. IF NOT DONE, PORTLAND IS REQUESTED TO OBTAIN TICKET STUB IF AVAILABLE AND FORWARD TO IDENTIFICATION DIVISION.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

REC FBI PD CLR TU



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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted]

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AT PORTLAND, OREGON

On December 2, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted], Portland, Oregon, telephone number [redacted] ad-  
vised the following concerning [redacted]  
[redacted]

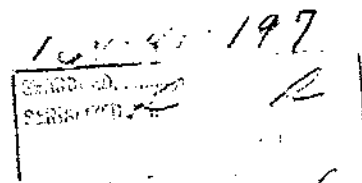
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[redacted] in the U.S. Army,  
serial number [redacted], and is currently assigned to  
[redacted]  
after observing a composite drawing of the hijacker, stated  
that [redacted] was not the same man as depicted in the drawing.  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

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In view of the above, it is recommended that no  
further investigation concerning [redacted] be initiated.

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JSG:pjb

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted]

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AT PORTLAND, OREGON

On December 2, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted] Portland, Oregon, telephone number [redacted]  
advised that [redacted]

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[redacted] Portland. [redacted] after observing a composite drawing  
of the Hijacker, stated that [redacted] was not the same man as  
that depicted in the drawing. Further, she stated that  
[redacted]

[redacted] described [redacted] as follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Age	Approximately [redacted]
Height	5'9" - 5'10"
Weight	150
Build	Thin

In view of the above, it is recommended that no  
further investigation concerning [redacted] be initiated.

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*c/a [signature]*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

DATE: 12/1/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

WITNESS:

LLOYD E. WHITEHEAD

SUBJECT: UNSUB; Northwest Airlines Flight 305,  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING ; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

Re Seattle telephone call to Portland 12/1/71  
and ASAC telephone call to Medford RA 12/1/71.

On 12/1/71 [REDACTED], Pacific Northwest Bell,  
Grants Pass, Oregon advised that telephone number 503-  
476-5126 is subscribed to by LLOYD E. WHITEHEAD, 515 N. E.  
8th Street, Grants Pass, Oregon.

copy  
Mr. WHITEHEAD is well known to the Grants Pass,  
PD and Josephine County S.O. as a "NUT". He is a very  
elderly man who calls the PD and SO frequently offering  
his assistance in locating fugitives, particularly if there  
has been a great deal of publicity. WHITEHEAD purposes  
to locate these fugitives through the use of a divining  
rod and a map.

In view of the above contact of Mr. WHITEHEAD  
does not seem warranted.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

DATE: 12/1/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB; Northwest Airlines Flight 305,  
Portland to Seattle,  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING ; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

*SUSPECT*

*ELIMINATED*

Re Memo of SA [REDACTED] dated 11/29/71.

On 11/30/71 the following individuals advised that a search of their respective files did not disclose any record of [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] Deputy  
Douglas County Sheriff's Office  
Roseburg, Oregon

[REDACTED]  
Roseburg PD

[REDACTED]  
Douglas County Credit Bureau  
Roseburg, Oregon.

On 11/30/71 [REDACTED],  
Roseburg, Oregon was contacted and the following information  
was obtained. He and [REDACTED]  
Roseburg from Salem, Oregon. [REDACTED] is employed by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] in Salem. On Saturday  
11/29/71 [REDACTED] Roseburg,  
Grant Pass, Medford and Ashland, Oregon.

Through physical observation it was noted that the  
Artist's conception of UNSUB vaguely resembles [REDACTED] but is  
not identical.

The following description of [REDACTED] was obtained  
through observation and interview.

Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]

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Height  
Weight  
Hair  
Eyes

6'  
155  
Brown  
Blue

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted]:

AT AURORA, OREGON.

On November 30, 1971, [redacted], Pacific Parachute Center, Route 1, Box 215A, Aurora, Oregon, telephone number [redacted], was contacted, shown artist's conception and furnished a description of the unknown hijacker of a Northwest Boeing 727, November 24, 1971, [redacted] advised the person in the photograph was unknown to him. He stated that to the best of his knowledge, there has never been anyone at [redacted] who would resemble the description of the hijacker. [redacted] stated the face in the photograph is familiar from the nose on down, but he was unable to furnish any information as to where or when he has seen anyone with these features.

[redacted] stated he is of the opinion that the hijacker was a novice in one respect. [redacted] went on to explain that on certain chutes, there are releases called "capewells." These are used when a person is going to jump in a wooded area. "Capewells" enable the chutist, once he has landed in the trees, to unbuckle the harness, thus releasing his chute altogether. Without these, a person would either have to cut the chute away from himself or step out of it, which is very difficult to do if he is in a tree.

In another respect, [redacted] was under the impression that this hijacker might have known what he was doing and may have had some type of training in parachuting such as "smoke jumper school" or possibly may have been a member of some parachuting group, such as the Special Forces, in the Armed Forces. Examples of these are the "Green Berets," the "Rangers" or the "101 Airbourn."

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[redacted]

*Cl/ B. Grey - WJ*

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[redacted] stated [redacted] skydiving exhibition last year which was to take place somewhere in Southern California where the skydivers were to jump from a "big" airplane. He did not remember exactly when this was or where in Southern California this was to take place. He did not remember what type of airplane was to be used, only that it was to be a bigger airplane than is normally used.

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[redacted] further advised that according to the information he has heard, unless the hijacker tied the container of money to his body, he does not believe he could have held onto it, as the parachute the hijacker used was a "flat chute," that is, once the rip cord is pulled, the chute opens immediately and there is quite a jolt when it opens. He stated with this chute, a jumper could be traveling 150 miles per hour and when this chute initially opens, the chutist is stopped for a second with his elapsed speed of 0. This takes approximately 3/4 to 1 second. He stated it would be difficult for anyone to hold onto anything with a chute of this nature.

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A review of [redacted]  
[redacted] revealed the following  
names:

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[redacted]  
Portland, Oregon

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[redacted]  
Aurora, Oregon

[redacted]  
Portland, Oregon

[redacted]  
Portland, Oregon

[redacted]  
Portland, Oregon

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [REDACTED]

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AT PORTLAND, OREGON

A review of the Portland telephone directories on December 1, 1971, in the name [REDACTED] revealed a listing for [REDACTED], Portland, Oregon.

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[REDACTED],  
advised on December 2, 1971, that he had [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] stated that it was his understanding [REDACTED] was presently [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] provided a xerox copy of a photograph of [REDACTED] dated August 7, 1967, captioned [REDACTED]

Retail Credit Association, Portland, advised their records indicate OWEN PATRICK MOSES, 4530 S.W. Murray, Beaverton, Oregon, as being unemployed as of May, 1971. The records further indicate MOSES, [REDACTED] is now [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] MOSES' age was indicated as being born in 1923.

Telephone records for Beaverton, Oregon, in the name PATRICK O. MOSES indicate an address of 4570 S.W. Murray, Beaverton, Oregon.

On December 2, 1971, records of the Portland Police Department indicated that OWEN P. MOSES, 1125 N. Shore Road, Lake Oswego, Oregon, was involved in a traffic accident on June 4, 1970. His date of birth was indicated as March 17, 1923.

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1/6 B. [REDACTED]

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Washington County Sheriff's Office records, Hillsboro, Oregon, indicate that PATRICK MOSES, on November 16, 1970, complained about a missing dog. His residence was listed as 4530 S.W. Murray, Beaverton, Oregon.

Records of the Beaverton Police Department were negative regarding MOSES.

The following driver's license information was received from the Oregon State Department of Motor Vehicles, Salem, Oregon, in the name OWEN PATRICK MOSES:

O. PATRICK MOSES, date of birth March 17, 1923, 4570 S.W. Murray Road, Beaverton, Oregon, is the registered owner of a 1965 Pontiac, Oregon license FBD 791 to expire in June, 1972, Vehicle Identification Number 262675C146197. Records indicate a clear title.

Department of Motor Vehicles indicated the following driving record for OWEN PATRICK MOSES, 4550 S.W. Murray Road, Beaverton, Oregon; date of birth March 17, 1923, 6'3" tall, weighing 200 pounds, Oregon driver's license number 0828011 to expire March 17, 1923:

December 7, 1966	Violation of the Basic Rule;
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June 26, 1968	Disobeying a stop sign;
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February 27, 1970	Violation of the Basic Rule;
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March 5, 197	Involved in an accident;
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June 4, 1970	Involved in an accident;
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MOSES' driver's license is shown as "not suspended."



Los Angeles, California  
December 1, 1971.

F. B. I.

Portland, Oregon

Dear Friends:

I promised not to bother you with any more letters about the man who bailed out of the plane with the bundle of loot. I just couldn't resist writing you one more letter and try to summarize it. As I said before, about 30 years ago when I had the holy ghost I would be able to tell you every detail, but now only a word comes thru me now and then.

The spirit seems to repeat that it was 'near a fair' where he came down. The language is sometimes symbolic. That means that it could mean a state monument or historical site, but I think it really means near some kind of a fair grounds-near it. I am beginning to agree with you up there now that Woodland is the area that is really hot, but you are working too far east. York West of Woodland. There is some kind of an island north of Portland and a lake called Smith Lake and near it Delta Park. Multnomah County Exposition Center would be more like it. He might have come down near here or north of it. It could have been a place under new construction, because it seems like I heard something like newly constructed this morning. It could be near Deer Island, also. 'Near a Fair' seems to be the lead line that the spirit gave me. There is also a fair grounds at Salem and at Eugene, but I don't think that is it. I think you are hot with the Woodland idea. Too bad you didn't sow a beeper in the fabric of those parachutes.

My own personal opinion of the case now is that he died on impact and most certainly gone into the brink, either into the Columbia or into a lake. Something came thru me this morning about a toll bridge. I notice that there is one at Astoria. I think a good place to take a vacation right now would be Seaside, Oregon for a couple of weeks and play on the beach. Some of those twenty dollar bills may come washing over on the shore one of these days if the packet is not tied too tight and is not too tight in the leather case. The white money bag with the paraphernalia in it may be found some day with the other chute not far from the point of origin, or takeoff. A good idea would be to run a copter down the Columbia river once a day for awhile.

Sincerely,

*NO ACTION*

P. S.

All a person has to do is give up all the animal food for a year as much as possible and switch to fruits and vegetables as mentioned in the book of Genesis. Make a good thick bowl of vegetable soup every day with carrots, tomatoes, green peppers, celery and etc. Eat this and use a good oil such as cottonseed or olive in it and peanut butter and rye or pumpernickel bread can be used. No coffee can be used at all. Coffee keeps people from contacting God- Can't use even one cup. Eat freely of raw fruits such as apples or oranges and don't smoke or drink or use the sex and do plenty of walking. In about a year the blood will turn over, the bone marrow and you can contact God.

Takes about an hour to be burned out and a year to prepare for it. Sorry, but the churches don't have the intelligence.

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Postum may be used instead of coffee. [redacted]

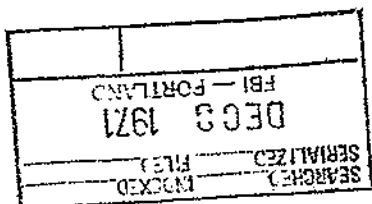
[redacted] That is why  
The viet Cong contact God. They don't have much coffee in China.  
They surprised the American Army many times over there. The yanks  
are full of processed food and the chinese eat lots of rice and  
vegetables and the war kept the young bucks from getting married  
and they started to contact God and he told them when the American  
Army was coming to a given location and the the few who contacted  
told the rest and they got out fast and when the yanks moved in  
the Viet Cong were gone. I'll bet even the American Army Intelligence  
don't know this. [redacted]

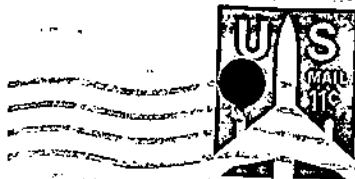
[redacted] Everything is in the bible  
with the exception of the coffee. [redacted]

[redacted] any Marine Camp and separate the men from  
the boys. Take out the non-smokers -non drinkers and keep them  
from sex and coffee for a year if they felt they could withstand  
and have prophets walking out of an Army or marine camp.  
Have big cauldrons of vegetable soup full of fresh tomatoes every  
day and plenty of fresh fruit and hogsheads of peanut butter and  
walk the hell out of them and pretty soon I would get results.  
Actually, the best bet for peace is the nation's young men that  
are growing up now and the ones that can overcome. The churches  
and our church system is not working on this angle, however.  
God don't give a hang about ceremony, All he likes is a good hiker  
and walker and a man that will watch his diet for about a year and  
believe me he will talk thru you just like your father. He even  
kids me sometimes, but he is stearn when it comes to eating junk  
such as canned stuff and highly processed foods. Take a walk into  
a super market and see the big carts of processed foods that are  
being purchased and you can get some idea of how far this nation  
is from God, together with the pollution of the air and the water.  
The lead from the gas goes into the blood also, that is what has  
happened [redacted]. Too  
much monoxide poisoning from the cars. The planes are spewing  
gas into the air also. There are thousands of airplanes. Think  
of the gas in one day from all these planes and the detergents  
are rolling into the sea and contaminating the fish. [redacted]

[redacted] We would  
have to go back to those days and the hoss and buggy or back to  
the trains and boats to bring back good air and I don't think  
we will because there is an old song that came out in the early  
days that sums it up 'How you gonna keep 'em down on the farm-  
After they've seen paree.

Sincerely,  
[redacted]





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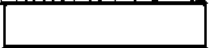
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Los Angeles, California  
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Portland, Oregon

Hi Folks:

Well I should have walked more yesterday and tried to get the spirit. Yesterday I gave my own version of the man from the plane hijack with the loot. I said he might have gone into the Columbia River, but I have my doubts about it now. The intimation is that he got off that plane in 12 minutes. There was the plane at 12 minutes after takeoff? I came home last nite and the spirit seemed to say 7:49--This would be 12 minutes after takeoff at 7:37. I think he knew about the cold in the plane and knew he would have to get out of there fast. The spirit called him the 'Colonel' I think he was Canadian air force of world war II vintage. He was polite, too and that all the more intimates he could have been Canadian, because they are polite. He was doping. Spirit said he doped before he left plane. He probably was not drinking, but could have been taking amphetamine pills. Spirit seemed to say he came down in a dairy region. I think the region northeast of Fort Lewis and not far from Puyallup where they hold the fair every year, because the spirit said 'Near a fair'. There was something about a dial. He either made a call before or after he went out of plane. He probably made his way to the town of Puyallup after getting on highway 161. I don't know the plane route so I am guessing at this, but I believe the area south of the airport -Tacoma-Seattle- about 12 minutes out is hot. Pierce, County. Between Highway 7 and Highway 161 between Puyallup and Frederickson, possible too as far south as Loveland, or Graham.

Sincerely, 

( Only trying to help)

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P. 3. The last couple of days the spirit said something about a college and I kind of passed the idea by because I didn't know where the college was. I had this letter sealed and re-opened it because right at the last moment I noticed on the map right near Eatonville and La Grande, Washington there is a college called U. of Wash college of Forestry and it is on highway 161. Maybe this will help- maybe this is it. He could have gone down near here someplace or on a parallel with it in line with flight of plane. then he could have gone into the fair town of puyallup.

I think I have really hit on it now. He went down near the college which is not too far from the fair-Puyallup.  
I consider this a real good lead.

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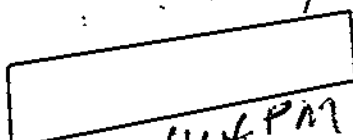
FROM CLEVELAND (164-88) 8P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA -  
HIJACKING, EXTORTION, OO:SEATTLE.

RE SUSPECT HARRY WILLIAM CELK, AKA HARRY W. CELK,  
ERIC CELK.

RE BUAIRTEL TO ALL OFFICES, NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE LAST,  
SEATTLE LETTER TO ALBANY, NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST, CLEVELAND  
TELEPHONE CALL TO SEATTLE DECEMBER TWO LAST, CLEVELAND  
TELEPHONE CALL TO BUREAU, IDENT SECTION, DECEMBER THREE  
INSTANT, CLEVELAND TELEPHONE CALL TO BALTIMORE, DECEMBER  
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SEE FO tel to Dir & SE, 12-5-71. No further  
action being taken at K-F. Also see ST tel to Dir.  
12-4-71.

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THREE LAST.

ON DECEMBER TWO LAST [REDACTED], WHO REQUESTED TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THE CLEVELAND OFFICE THAT SHE HAD INFORMATION REGARDING CAPTIONED MATTER. SUBSEQUENT INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AT [REDACTED] [REDACTED] CLEVELAND, OHIO, DISCLOSED THE FACT THAT HARRY WILLIAM CELK, ONE EIGHT SIX ONE THREE HILLIARD ROAD, ROCKY RIVER, OHIO BORE AN EXTREMELY CLOSE RESEMBLANCE TO THE UNSUB IN THIS MATTER. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] SUBJECT FURTHER DESCRIBED AS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO LOVED RACING WOMEN AND LEADS, IN GENERAL A FAST LIFE. HE LEFT OHIO IN SIXTYNINE WITH MANY DEBTS OUTSTANDING. [REDACTED]

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WHICH IN FACT, CLOSELY RESEMBLE ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNSUB. DESCRIPTION AND PERSONAL HISTORY DATA PROVIDED BY [REDACTED] SET FORTH IN DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT WHICH FOLLOWS.

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ON DECEMBER TWO LAST [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] WAS INTERVIEWED.

UPON VIEWING ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNSUB, SHE SPONTANEOUSLY  
STATED "THAT'S HARRY WILLIAM CELK". [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT SHE

[REDACTED] AND THAT THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME THAT SHE HAD  
SEEN THE ARTIST CONCEPTION. SHE ADVISED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DURING THIS  
TIME [REDACTED]

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SHE STATED THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ACCORDING TO [REDACTED]

CELK BRAGGED THAT HE WAS INTERESTED IN PARACHUTING AND HAD  
MADE SEVERAL JUMPS HIMSELF. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED CELK AS A  
SECRETIVE INDIVIDUAL, WHO WAS RELUCTANT TO APPLY FOR A PILOT'S  
LICENSE OR ANY OTHER TYPE OF LICENSE WHICH WOULD PROVIDE  
BACKGROUND OR IDENTIFICATION. [REDACTED] LAST SAW CELK IN

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THE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION WAS OBTAINED FROM [REDACTED]

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NAME: HARRY WILLIAM CELK, AKA., HARRY W. CELK, ERIC CELK, DOB OCTOBER THREE THIRTYFIVE, POB CLEVELAND, OHIO, WHITE MALE, FIVE FEET NINE TO FIVE FEET TEN INCHES, ONE FIFTY TO ONE SEVENTY POUNDS, DARK COMPLEXION, BROWN HAIR, RECEDING HAIRLINE, BROWN EYES, ALWAYS WEARS SUNGLASSES, ALMOST PARANOID ABOUT CONCEALING HIS IDENTITY. COLOR PICTURES ON FILE AT CLEVELAND, OHIO, FROM SIXTYNINE, WITH HANDWRITING SAMPLES. REPORTED HAS HOMOSEXUAL TENDENCIES. SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF FACT REPORTEDLY CARRIES GUN. DESCRIBED AS A SMOOTH TALKING CON MAN, VERY CALM IN TIGHT SITUATIONS, BUT A VIOLENT TEMPER IF AROUSED. HAS LONG FINGERS AND HANDS, DESCRIBED AS EFFEMINATE, SMOKES VARIOUS BRANDS OF CIGARETTES, CHANGING BRANDS OFTEN, CONSTANT CHAIN SMOKER. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER TWO EIGHT FOUR - THREE ZERO - SEVEN NINE EIGHT EIGHT, SSN THREE THREE - TWO EIGHT - THREE FIVE - THREE SEVEN FOUR, SSN THREE THREE - TWO EIGHT - THREE FIVE - THREE SEVEN FOUR, EDUCATION ELEVENTH GRADE, JAMES FORD RHODES HIGH SCHOOL, FIVE ONE ZERO ZERO BIDDULPH ROAD, CLEVELAND, OHIO. MILITARY

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SERVICE - ARMY, ALLEGED RANK LIEUTENANT; POSSIBLY DISHONORABLY  
DISCHARGED IN FIFTYSEVEN. SUSPECT TOLD [ ] HE WAS STATIONED  
AT FORT LEWIS, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, AND WAS AN MP IN THE  
CANINE UNIT. MARITAL STATUS, [ ]

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[ ], RELATIVES, [ ]

[ ]; MOTHER

AND FATHER DECEASED. OTHER NAMES OF IMPORTANCE: [ ]

[ ]

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[ ], KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON, ALSO [ ]

[ ], HELENA, MONTANA. OCCUPATIONS: ONE. DROVE A YELLOW

CAB, DATE UNKNOWN IN CLEVELAND AREA. TWO. LABORER AT  
CHEVROLET, STUMPH AND BROOKPARK, CLEVELAND, OHIO AND THREE,  
WILLIAMS FORD, SEVEN THREE NINE FRONT STREET, BEREA, OHIO.

BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO GRANT BALTIMORE AUTHORITY TO  
CONDUCT AN IMMEDIATE BALTIMORE SOURCE FOUR CHECK ON CELK  
SEATTLE AND MINNEAPOLIS BE ADVISED THAT PHOTOGRAPHS OF SUSPECT  
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CELK WILL BE ARRIVING INSTANT DATE VIA NOR HWEST AIRLINES.  
CLEVELAND WILL ADVISE TELEPHONICALLY FLIGHT AND ETA.

BUTTE AT HELENA, MONTANA, WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE AND  
INTERVIEW HARRY WILLIAM CELK AT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], HELENA, MONTANA. WILL CONDUCT BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION  
OF [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], HELENA, MONTANA WHO IS REPORTEDLY [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] WILL INTERVIEW [REDACTED] REGARDING HIS RELATION-  
SHIP WITH HARRY WILLIAM CELK AND THE CURRENT WHEREABOUTS  
OF CELK.

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PHOENIX AT SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA WILL LOCATE AND INTERVIEW  
[REDACTED] SCOTTSDALE,  
REGARDING SUBJECT'S CURRENT ADDRESS OR CURRENT WHEREABOUTS.

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PORTLAND AT KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON WILL LOCATE AND  
INTERVIEW HARRY WILLIAM CELK, EIGHT FOUR FIVE CALIFORNIA,  
KEMATH FALLS, OREGON. WILL CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION  
AT ONE THREE TWO ZERO PACIFIC TERRACE, KEMATH FALLS, OREGON,  
TO DETERMINE DATES OF EMPLOYMENT AND DEVELOP INFORMATION  
REGARDING CURRENT WHEREABOUTS OF HARRY WILLIAM CELK. WILL  
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CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INQUIRIES AT THE UNITED NATIONAL BANK  
OF OREGON, KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON, WHERE SUSPECT HAD A LOAN  
IN SIXTYNINE LOAN NUMBER TWO NINE - ONE ONE ONE, - ONE  
SEVEN - FIVE ONE FOUR SEVEN ZERO. WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE  
AND INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON REGARDING  
SUSPECT AND PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF SUSPECT. WILL CONDUCT  
BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION OF [REDACTED] WHO IS REPORTEDLY  
[REDACTED] PRIOR TO INTERVIEWING HIM.

BALTIMORE AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, CONDUCT IMMEDIATE  
BALTIMORE SOURCE FOUR CHECK ON SUSPECT FOR BACKGROUND INFORMATION  
AND RECENT EMPLOYMENTS.

MINNEAPOLIS AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, WILL UPON RECEIPT  
OF PHOTOGRAPHS OF SUSPECT DISPLAY TO MEMBERS OF CREW AND  
AND OTHER WITNESSES AVAILABLE.

SEATTLE AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, WILL UPON RECEIPT OF  
PHOTOS OF SUSPECT, DISPLAY TO ALL AVAILABLE WITNESSES.

CLEVELAND AT CLEVELAND, OHIO WILL CONTINUE TO DEVELOP  
ALL POSSIBLE BACKGROUND DATA REGARDING SUSPECT.

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INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT CLEVELAND.

SUSPECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN  
VIEW OF FACT HE REPORTEDLY CARRIES GUN.

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TO SEATTLE (164-31)

PORTLAND (164-41)

LAS VEGAS (164-60)

PHILADELPHIA

FROM MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) 2P

*HIJACKED AIRCRAFT  
NO P+LD LEADS*

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO  
FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST.

CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. 00: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TELEPHONE CALL TO MINNEAPOLIS  
DECEMBER TWO LAST.

[REDACTED]

NORTHWEST AIRLINES, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, ADVISED THAT THE  
HIJACKED AIRCRAFT IS NOW BEING UTILIZED COMMERCIALY BY  
THE AIRLINE AND ITS FIRST OVERNIGHT STOP WILL BE AT  
SEATTLE ON DECEMBER FOUR NEXT. THE AIRCRAFT IS ARRIVING  
AS FLIGHT SEVEN THREE FIVE AT FIVE DASH TWENTYSIX PM  
SEATTLE TIME AND WILL BE IN SEATTLE OVERNIGHT. [REDACTED]

FURTHER ADVISED [REDACTED] IT WOULD BE ALMOST

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IMPOSSIBLE FOR ANYONE TO ENTER THE PANELS WHILE THE AIRCRAFT IS IN FLIGHT INASMUCH AS THE STAIRS HAVE TO BE FULLY DESCENDED BEFORE THE PANELS/CAN BE ENTERED. HE STATED IT WOULD BE REMOTELY POSSIBLE TO ENTER EITHER OF THE PANELS BUT IS NOT VERY FEASIBLE. AS YOU FACE TOWARDS THE COCKPIT THE PANEL ON THE RIGHT SIDE HAS AMPLE ROOM FOR TWO AVERAGE SIZE INDIVIDUALS. THE PANEL ON THE LEFT SIDE HAS LESS ROOM BUT COULD ACCOMMODATE ONE PERSON.

SEATTLE IS REQUESTED TO EXAMINE AIRCRAFT AFTER ARRIVAL AS FLIGHT SEVEN THREE FIVE.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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SKYJACK:

[redacted] Oregon Journal. Reporter suggests  
as suspect: Thinks he looks like artists conception.

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He was a [redacted]

Descript from drivers lic.

5'11", 170 lbs. dob [redacted]

[redacted], Portland.

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LEAD: CHECK [redacted] OUT AS SUSPECT.

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November 29, 1971

Sheridan, Oregon

Zip: [redacted]

Telephone: [redacted]

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Sir:

I presume your office is involved in the search for the recent hijacker and the money involved.

I am enclosing two clippings from my copy of the Sunday Nov. 28 Salem Statesman. I notice a possibility of a relationship between the two events and am calling it to your attention at the risk of wasting your valuable time.

As I see it, the hijacker mentioned wanting to go to Mexico, and the ransom was paid in Mexico City. The amount the hijacker received was \$200,000.00 and the ransom paid in Mexico was the same. It is reported as dollars rather than so many pesos equal to approximately so many dollars (or what ever the Mexican monetary denomination would be). The ransom was paid on Saturday about TWO days after the hijacking. And last but not least, note the last paragraph with regard to another kidnaping in Sept. 1971 of the Federal AVIATION Director who was exchanged for \$240,000.00 ransom.

If you are interested in checking on this I will also tell you that [redacted] according to this article is [redacted]

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[redacted]. With this in mind I would like to

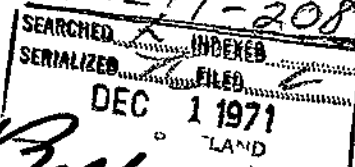
mention that about [redacted]

by the name of [redacted]

[redacted] he might

be able to help you obtain more information than normally allowed if

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Also, I wish you would arrange to have a map published showing the approximate route the plane took enroute from Seattle to Reno.



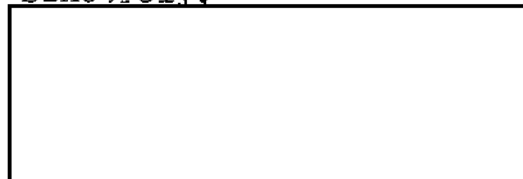
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I would also like to say that I flew from Chicago to Tampa, Fla. on  in a Northwest Orient plane of the type I believe was used. We were allowed to board early and had free choice as to seats. I selected one on the right near the back of the wing but not too near the back of the plane. The stairwell door was open while the engines were running in order for the rear rest room to be serviced. I got real sick in a matter of minutes from the fumes that were sucked into the plane much like the tailgate window open in a station wagon if it doesn't have something to deflect the fumes. I just don't think he could have lasted very long in that plane with that door open if the same situation exists during flight that I and others on my flight experienced.

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I hope this will be of some help to you.

Sincerely,



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## Volunteers Will Help

Fairview Hospital & Training Center is looking for volunteers to assist Fairview residents prepare for life in the community.

The volunteers will serve as "social skills coaches" for resi-

dents whose rehabilitation plans call for vocational training and eventual placement on jobs in the community. The residents range in age from 18 to 25.

Jackie Anger, program direc-

tor, said,

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10 women.

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## Three Shocked Survivors

By JAY SHARBUTT  
Associated Press Writer

LANCASTER, Calif. (AP) — The three surviving members of the Jack Welch family were with family friends Saturday af-

ter a night of violence that had its seeds in a broken teen-age romance.

Their parents, a teen-aged friend and Welch's stepdaugh-ter, Lori Roskam, 15, all were

slain Friday night at a home by a shotgun and a wielding former boyfriend, Lori, authorities said.

The boyfriend, identified as Gary Lee Logan, 18, of Lancas-

## Ransom Paid by Family; Eight Prisoners Freed

By ELOY O. AGUILAR  
Associated Press Writer

MEXICO CITY (AP) — The family of Dr. Jaime Castrejon Diaz reported paying a \$200,000 ransom Saturday night and the government announced the release of eight of nine prisoners whose freedom was demanded in exchange for the kidnaped university rector.

A Mexican guerrilla group, the Vicente Guerrero Revolutionary Freedom Committee, abducted Castrejon Diaz on Nov. 19 in Guerrero state.

The 39-year-old rector of the University of Guerrero also is an industrialist, bacteriologist and former mayor of Taxco. There was no word of when he would be released.

The guerrilla group made its

demands in a letter sent to a local television station Friday night.

The government announced the release of eight of the prisoners but said a ninth remained in custody because "we have not been able to identify him." The prisoners had been held in Mexico City and Chilpancingo, the capital of Guerrero state.

Government sources said five of the prisoners asked to be sent to Cuba and would be taken to the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City.

The ransom letter said the nine were "political prisoners" who should be guaranteed political asylum in the embassy of

their choice and safe conduct from Mexico.

It said the ransom money could be used to help "victims of the repression of the government." Castrejon Diaz was forced from his car eight days ago by four armed men. His wife, the former Ruby Nickel of Lake Charles, La., their three children and his chauffeur were not taken.

The abduction was Mexico's second political kidnapping this year. The Zapatista Urban Front kidnaped Federal Aviation Director Julio Hirschfeld Almada in September and released him hours later in exchange for \$240,000 ransom.

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# Searchers Hunt in Vain for 'Chutist-Hijacker'

WOODLAND, Wash. (AP) — Authorities hiked through rural woodlands seeking traces of a parachuting airline hijacker for the second day Saturday. But again they reported no clues.

The hijacker is believed to have bailed out over the 15-

square mile search area Wednesday night after hijacking the Northwest Airlines jet at Seattle. He had demanded and received four parachutes and \$200,000 ransom.

"We're concentrating our search for a parachute," said Tom Manning, FBI agent coordinating the search. "We think this will give us a clue as to what happened to the hijacker."

"We've determined the hijacker was wearing a sport type back pack parachute," Manning said. "That means it would be difficult for him to maneuver if he had any kind of bulk on him at all and we've been told \$200,000 weighs over 20 pounds."

Authorities earlier said the ransom, largest ever paid a hijacker in the United States, was in \$20 bills.

Searchers were told to look for two white parachute canopies and portions of a pink one which was found opened and torn when the plane landed at Reno, Nev., Wednesday night.

Searchers converged on a large piece of white fabric Saturday but it turned out to be a shelter for two young fishermen on the banks of the Lewis River.

"We checked reports of possible sightings but they all proved false," said Clark County Sheriff Eugene Cotton.

Helicopters flown by pilots familiar with the terrain of the farm and timber land of the area, joined the search under improving weather conditions.

Patchy fog hung over the area Friday.

The air and ground search was suspended Saturday when the ceiling lowered, preventing use of three helicopters and three fixed wing aircraft. The search will be resumed Sunday if weather permits.

Manning said house-to-house interviews of residents would be stepped up.

The hijacker—described as a well dressed, calm, middle-aged man, boarded the plane at Portland, Ore., and handed a stewardess a note which said he had a bomb with him and wanted to go to Mexico.

While the plane circled Seattle, the hijacker identified as D. B. Cooper demanded the money and parachutes. The 36 passengers and two of the stewardesses were permitted to leave the plane when it landed in Seattle for refueling.

The man then ordered the plane to be flown no higher than 10,000 feet and with the rear boarding door down, the landing gear extended and 15 degree flaps. The man remained in the rear of the plane unseen by the crew.

Capt. William Scott, the pilot, said an indicator light showed

the rear stairwell was being operated when the plane was over Woodland.

Pilots of eight Air Force planes tailing the commandeered jetliner did not report seeing anyone jump from the plane, the Air Force said Friday. A sport type chute believed to be used by the hijacker allows a jumper free fall before opening the chute.

when asked if he would further amity. citing art in America to comes from the passion of oppressed black people.

### Called Oppressors

the whites haven't been oppressed. They're the oppressors. They can see the record of crimes. An audience of people is an audience of nals."

however, Bullins is having of his plays done in December at Ellen Stewart's noted La a experimental center, that ominately plays to white nces, and has been negoti-

the "goodwill" guests of Ecuador's navy at a time when Ecuadoran gunboats were firing on and seizing American tuna boats off that country's coast.

Capt. James Varlay of Submarine Flotilla One here said it was "sort of an accident" that the submarine Blackfin was visiting Guayaquil, Ecuador, at a time when several American tuna boats were under guard in the nearby port of Salinas after being seized 60 to 120 miles off shore.

In the past 18 days 23 American tuna boats—most of them embarking from San Diego—have been seized by the Ecuadoran navy to enforce that country's claim to territorial sovereignty up to 200 miles at sea. Most of the seizures have been carried out by naval craft acting by Ecuador from the States, either on loan or right gifts.

### During Year

Recent seizures brought to number of American tuna

the fines which are levied at

## Group Votes To Oppose Cigarette Tax

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — The board of the Oregon Home Owners Association has decided, in a vote by telephone, to oppose the cigarette tax, the organization's president said.

The tax is scheduled to be referred to the people Jan. 18, 1972.

The head of the association, Clyde Brummell, Portland, said the action came because of a bill introduced at the recent special session of the legislature which would have made wholesale cigarette sales a state monopoly.

Brummell said the association attempted to get the legislature to pass a bill to

been threatened with confiscation of their ships for a third violation of the 200-mile zone.

American tuna fishermen say they refuse to purchase the Ecuadoran fishing licenses as the State Department advises that recognition might appear to be given to Ecuador's territorial claims if such purchases are made.

### State Capt. 'Blessing'

Disclosure of the Blackfin's friendship visit to Guayaquil came as owners of the California-based fishing fleet were renewing demands that the navy provide them with armed escorts. The visit, in the midst of a new and violent outbreak in the 18-year-old "tuna war," was made with State Department blessing.

An official of the American Tuna Boat Association described Blackfin's visit as "an act of cowardice and cowardice in the face of this escalating high seas

tuna fleet owners acknowledged, however, that it is unrealistic to press for retaliatory action as military use of navy convoys by the State Department reluctance to pursue a high diplomacy anywhere in America at this time.

### For Sanctions

ad, the fleet owners are g for new and stronger sanctions against Ecuador. The State Department this year was authorized to deduct the amount of the boat fines and penalties from U.S. foreign aid allocations to Ecuador. The Senate Committee this week hearings on a House-approved bill which would make recovery of the fines mandatory. The fines are guaranteed by the U.S. gov-

PRINCETON, N.J. (AP) — Although union members' families disapprove of President Nixon's performance by a small margin, the President's standing among them has not changed significantly since the start of the price wage freeze, the Gallup Poll reported this week. The latest poll showed 45 per cent disapproval and 42 per cent approval of the President among adult members of union families, with 13 per cent expressing no opinion.

In a poll taken among union families in the summer prior to the imposition of the economic controls, the disapproval was 48 per cent.

The latest poll was conducted in early November. It showed that 51 per cent of the public at large disapproved last year. Some 2,811 union families were polled at the same time.

Both groups were asked how they would handle the situation.

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## Is Dead

LOUISVILLE — Joseph Napoleon, member of the NFL Football Hall of Fame, died last week. He was 79.

Known as "The Big Boy," he played football for the Louisville Cardinals and went to the NFL.

Post Office Box 709  
Portland, Oregon 97207

[redacted]  
Sheridan, Oregon [redacted]

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Dear [redacted]:

Your letter dated November 29, 1971, contains a number of thoughtful ideas and I appreciate your taking the time and effort to give us the benefit of your thinking in this hijacking case.

Consideration will be given to the matters you discussed, and again thank you for writing.

Yours very truly,

J. L. MATTSON  
Special Agent in Charge

1 - Addressee  
1 - Portland (164-41) (P)

NBB:sao  
(2) 11/3

164-41-209

DB Cooper-40437

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

MEMO TO SAC (164-41)  
From SA [redacted]

Date 12-1-71

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[redacted]  
[redacted] Salem,  
Oregon advised that [redacted] was employed by this  
company from [redacted]

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[redacted] He was regarded  
by his fellow workers as a good family man ~~xxxx~~ who did  
not use intoxicants, [redacted]

At  
His earnings averaged [redacted]

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[redacted]. She has heard nothing from him since except

She surmised ~~that~~ this may have been [redacted] for the

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[redacted] She

sent his last check in care of [redacted]

[redacted] Spokane, Washington.

On 12-1-71 at SALEM, Oregon File # 164-41-210

by SA [redacted] Date dictated R/D 12-1-71

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(Priority)

MEMO TO SAC

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

From SA [redacted]  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)RE: UNSUB;  
NWAL Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle 11/24/71  
CAA; HIJACKING, EXTORTIONSTENO - MAKE THIS AM  
FD 302 FOR [redacted]

RE: [redacted]

Reference Seattle teletype to Portland 11:40 am 12-1-71.

Enclosed to the Seattle Office are 4 photographs of  
taken between 1963 and 1970. These are the latest and best  
of the photos [redacted] has she has requested that the photos,  
particularly the colored one, be returned ~~XXXXXX~~ in the near  
future. [redacted]

[redacted] advised [redacted]

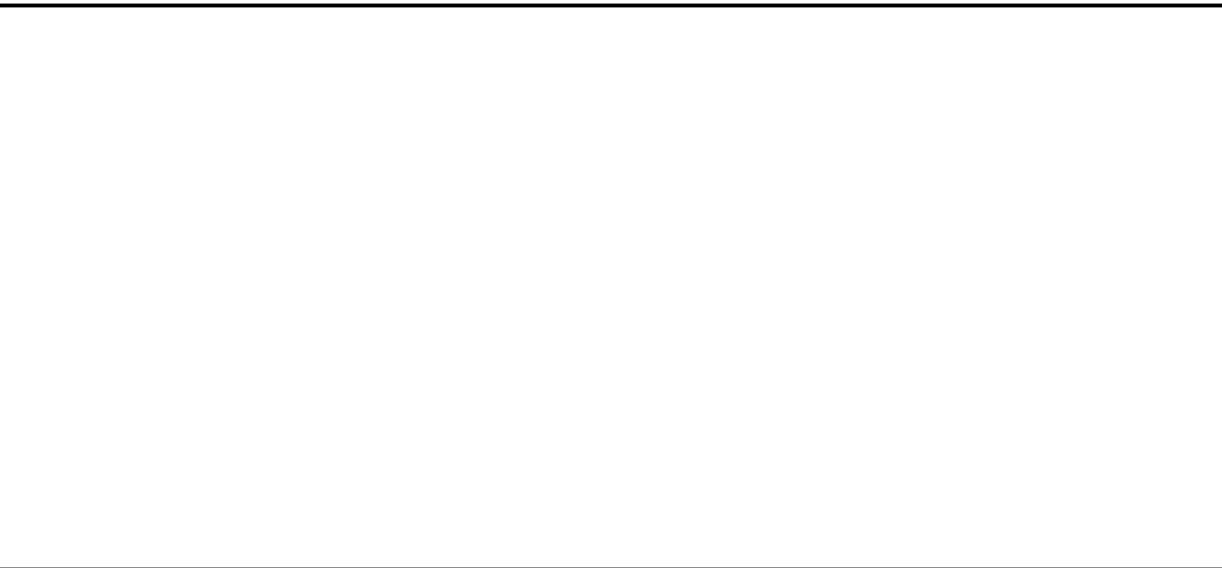
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b7DApproved: \_\_\_\_\_  
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[redacted]  
[redacted] was employed at the time with [redacted]



[redacted]  
and she has not seen him since that time except for once

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[redacted]. She has no ~~xxx~~ idea as to his present whereabouts but has heard rumors that he and [redacted] are in Portland.

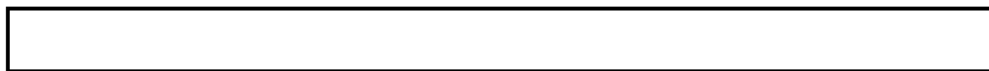
His whereabouts may be known to [redacted]

[redacted] Spokane, Washington. He apparently

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[redacted]

She described [redacted] as

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[redacted]

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6' 1"

190#

hazel eyes

Hair coal black, [redacted]

[redacted]

Complexion--medium, tanned

Dress-usually sport clothes and cowboy boots,  
otherwise darks suits and conservative

[redacted]

was shown the artists ~~sk~~ sketch of

subject and states that particularly [redacted]

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[redacted]

but that she does not think [redacted]

[redacted]

ROUGH DRAFT

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Date: 12-1-71

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MEMO TO SAC

TO SAC SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM SA [REDACTED]  
FROM SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)RE UNSUB;  
NWAL Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle 11/24/71  
CAA;HIJACKING;EXTORTIONALL PERTINENT INFO RE:  
SUMMARIZED AND SENT  
TO SE + MNPLS BY TELETYPE.b6  
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RE SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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Reference Seattle teletype to Portland 11:40 am 12-1-71.

Enclosed to the Seattle Office are 4 photographs of

[REDACTED] taken between 1963 and 1970 as indicated on the back.

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b7CThese are the latest and best photos [REDACTED] has and she requested that ~~they~~ the photos, particularly the colored one, be returned in the near future.

Also enclosed to Seattle is an FD 302 of an interview of [REDACTED]; and one of an interview of [REDACTED].

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Note that the complainant who suggested [REDACTED] as a suspect is apparently the same as [REDACTED] of St. Helens, Ore who complained that suspect was [REDACTED].

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[REDACTED] advised that she has heard that

[REDACTED] now lives at Yakima Washington. [REDACTED]

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PHOTOS of [REDACTED] SHOWN  
TO WITNESS BY [REDACTED] 12/2/71

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Agent in Charge

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LEADS: The SEattle Office at Seattle:

Will return to Portland the photos of [REDACTED]  
in the near future.

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The Portland Office at Salem, Oregon

Will return the photos of [REDACTED] to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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DB Cooper-40443

Nov. 28th '71

Blacksburg, Va



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Dear Mr. Mattson,

May I respectfully suggest you check all Land Record offices for any paying-off of a platypus of say \$150,000 - \$200,000 - also Barts which may have recorded the paying-off of a "lien" on property in the past few days.

The hyjacker appears to be someone experienced - parachute work - maybe ex paratrooper (W.W.2) who came to work & had a debt as above.

He may have arranged lunch & lunch cleaning on his way to best looking being in a certain pattern to guide his down - his employees would know nothing.

Best wishes,

NO  
ACTION



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Mr Julius Mattson

F.B.I. Agent 1/c

F.B.I. Office

PORTLAND

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PD 164-41  
SE 164-81  
JTH:pjb  
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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted]:

AT PORTLAND, OREGON

[redacted]  
[redacted], advised that approximately  
one and one-half years ago [redacted]  
[redacted] also known as [redacted]  
He stated that [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] advised that [redacted]  
had informed him that [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] stated that he determined that  
[redacted] had been employed in some capacity by [redacted]  
[redacted] but inquiry of this company dis-  
closed that [redacted] He stated that he did not  
[redacted] and could furnish no  
information as to [redacted] present whereabouts, stating  
that he had not seen him since [redacted]  
[redacted] He added, however, that he recalls that [redacted]  
was from the east coast of the United States.

[redacted], Retail Credit Association, and  
[redacted], Multnomah County Sheriff's Office, both  
advised their files contained no record for [redacted]  
[redacted], also known as [redacted].

[redacted] Files, Portland Police Department,  
advised her records disclosed a [redacted] also  
known as [redacted] Portland Police  
Department file [redacted]. She stated that [redacted]

[redacted] She provided the  
following description of [redacted] and also a photograph of him  
which shows his face [redacted]:

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*c/a Himmlerbach*



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Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]
Height	6'1"-6'2"
Weight	185-200
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Dark, graying
Employment	[REDACTED]
	Portland, Oregon
Fingerprint	
Classification	[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Portland.  
advised that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] but thereafter departed. He  
was unable to furnish the full name of this company or what  
service they provided.

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JSG:pjb

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted]:

AT MILWAUKIE, OREGON

On December 2, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted], Milwaukie,  
Oregon, telephone number [redacted] advised that she knows  
[redacted] after observing a composite drawing  
of the hijacker, stated that [redacted] was not the same man  
as depicted in the drawing. [redacted] described [redacted] as being  
approximately [redacted] years of age, 5'7" tall, 145 pounds, with  
brown hair and blue eyes, and a [redacted]

[redacted] further states that [redacted] is quiet. [redacted]  
[redacted] with a good job working for [redacted],  
and residing in Milwaukie. [redacted] did not think that [redacted]  
is now or could be a part of such a crime.

In view of the above, it is recommended that no  
further investigation concerning [redacted] be initiated.

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[redacted] *7/10*

*C/A Himmelsbach*

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
(ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka  
Dan Cooper  
Hijacking of Northwest Airline  
Flight #305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re Portland airtel to Bureau dated 12/2/71 .

Enclosed for laboratory are original letter and envelope received 12/3/71, by [redacted] Portland International Airport, Portland, Oregon. The letter is signed "D. B. COOPER" and is apparently a hoax.

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One xerox copy of the letter and envelope is being furnished Seattle.

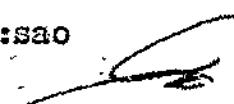
REQUEST OF THE LABORATORY

Process the enclosures for latent fingerprint impressions. Note that envelope has been handled by many persons but letter has been protected and not handled since time of opening of envelope.



Results of examination should be furnished Seattle and Portland and submitted items may be returned to Portland registered mail upon conclusion of examination.

- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 1) (AM) (RM)
- 2 - Seattle (Enc. 2)
- 2 - Portland

RPH:sao  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka  
Dan Cooper  
Hijacking of Northwest Airlines  
Flight 305,  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
(OO: SEATTLE)  
BUFILE 164-2111

Re Sacramento teletype to Portland and Seattle,  
11 a.m., 11/30/71.

Attached is an investigative insert showing  
investigation by conducting credit and arrest check on  
[REDACTED]

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LEAD

PORTLAND

AT COTTAGE GROVE, OREGON. Will interview  
[REDACTED], to determine who  
was the individual he said entered his car at Susanville,  
California, on 11/28/71.

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RPC:jmp  
(3) *[Signature]*



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*[Signature]*



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Via TELETYPE

URGENT

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR

LAS VEGAS

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)(P) (3 P)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO  
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION,  
OO: SEATTLE.

ON NOVEMBER THIRTY, SEVENTYONE, AT ELEVEN TEN A.M., [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
PORTLAND, OREGON, REPORTED ~~THAT~~ SHE HAD MET A MAN ON FRIDAY, NOV-  
EMBER TWENTYSIX, SEVENTYONE, ~~AT~~ TEN ~~SEVEN~~ A.M. AT ~~THE~~ LOCAL BUS  
STATION WHO MATCHED THE DESCRIPTION OF THE HIJACKER. SHE DESCRIBED  
HIM AS, ~~PERSON~~: WHITE, MALE, AMERICAN, APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED]  
YEARS OF AGE, FIVE FOOT TEN INCHES TALL, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY POUNDS,  
BROWN HAIR, DARK EYES, MEDIUM COMPLEXION, CLOTHING WAS A WOOL,  
SPORT COAT, SMALL CHECK, BROWN AND DARK GREEN, CARRYING A REDDISH-  
TAN LUGGAGE BAG. THIS MAN ENGAGED HER IN CONVERSATION WHILE ~~THEY~~

1 - Portland  
RGB:pjb (1)

Approved: SEL

Special Agent in Charge

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M Per \_\_\_\_\_

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BOTH TRAVELED FROM PORTLAND TO SEATTLE VIA GREYHOUND BUS LINES.

HE GAVE HIS NAME AS [REDACTED] ~~AND STATED HE WAS~~ FROM VANCOUVER, B.C.CANADA AND HAD [REDACTED] IN RENO, NEVADA. SHE ~~TELT~~ **RECEIVED IMPRESSION**FROM ~~THE~~ CONVERSATION ~~THAT~~ HE REALLY KNEW VERY LITTLE ABOUT RENO.HE MENTIONED ~~THAT~~ HE ~~HAD~~ STAYED AT ~~THE~~ MAPES HOTEL IN RENO. HIS

INTERESTS WERE [REDACTED] HE WAS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND ~~HE~~ WORKED [REDACTED] INVANCOUVER B.C. **CLAIMED** ~~HE MENTIONED THAT~~ HE [REDACTED][REDACTED] IN VANCOUVER B.C.; ~~HE MENTIONED THAT~~ HE WAS ~~1~~ [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HE WENT TO RENO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HE WAS ~~1~~ NERVOUS, COMPULSIVESPEAKER, AND SMOKED CANADIAN CIGARETTES. WHEN THEY ARRIVED IN SEATTLE, HE UNEXPECTEDLY DEPARTED AFTER PUTTING ON ~~3~~ LARGE PAIR OF DARK GLASSES EVEN THOUGH ~~THE~~ WEATHER WAS CLOUDY AND OVERCAST.A CHECK WITH GREYHOUND BUS LINES SHOWED ~~THE~~ ROUTE OF GREYHOUND BUS SCHEDULE NINE TWO TWO ORIGINATED IN PHOENIX, ARIZONA, ~~AND~~ STOPPED IN RENO, NEVADA AT FIVE ~~SIX~~ P.M., NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE,Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_  
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SEVENTYONE, BEFORE CONTINUING ON TO OREGON.

LAS VEGAS AT RENO, NEVADA. ~~WILL~~ ENDEAVOR TO DETERMINE ~~THE~~  
ACTIVITIES OF [ ] WHILE IN ~~THE~~ RENO AREA AND VERIFY HIS  
STAY AT ~~THE~~ MAPES HOTEL. ~~WILL~~ CHECK ~~THE~~ GREYHOUND BUS DEPOT TO  
DETERMINE IF SUBJECT DEPARTED RENO ON BUS SCHEDULE NINE TWO TWO  
ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE, SEVENTYONE.

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Date: 12/3/71

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TO: LAS VEGAS  
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 2 PAGES

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIR LINES FLIGHT NUMBER THREE  
ZERO FIVE, ETC. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE LAS VEGAS NITEL TO PORTLAND, DECEMBER TWO, SEVENTY ONE.

[REDACTED] SALEM, OREGON, RECONTACTED DECEMBER THREE,  
SEVENTY ONE. STATES [REDACTED] (LAST NAME UNKNOWN)  
(LNU) AND [REDACTED] (LNU) [REDACTED] IN CARSON CITY, NEVADA,

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] SHE KNOWS [REDACTED] WERE TOGETHER FREQUENTLY AND WAS  
TOLD BY [REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FEELS [REDACTED] DEFINITELY LYING IF HE DISAVOWS  
KNOWING [REDACTED].

SHE FEELS [REDACTED] STRONGLY RESEMBLES COMPOSIT OF UNSUB AND  
DESCRIBES HIM AS WHITE MALE AMERICAN, AGE [REDACTED]  
OLIVE COMPLEXION, SIX FEET DASH SIX FEET ONE INCH, SLENDER BUILD,

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BWO:kdd  
(1) [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Approved: M/SEK  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 1:37 M

Per [REDACTED]

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Via \_\_\_\_\_  
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HAIR MEDIUM TO DARK BROWN.

LAS VEGAS AT CARSON CITY. RECONTACT [ ] AND ATTEMPT TO  
DETERMINE IDENTITY OF [ ]. - P -

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Special Agent in Charge

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Date: 12/3/71

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

2 Pages

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIR LINES FLIGHT NUMBER THREE ZERO FIVE, ETC. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO PORTLAND, NOVEMBER THIRTY, SEVENTY ONE, AND PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, ELEVEN FORTY SEVEN P.M. DECEMBER ONE, SEVENTY ONE.

ON DECEMBER TWO, SEVENTY ONE, [REDACTED] OREGON, ADVISED HE HAD GIVEN THIS MATTER ADDITIONAL THOUGHT AFTER BEING CONTACTED AND RECALLS ~~NAME~~ [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] SUPPOSEDLY IN SOME WAY [REDACTED] [REDACTED] IN SEATTLE AREA. ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] WOULD KNOW OF [REDACTED] CURRENT WHEREABOUTS. [REDACTED] ALLEGEDLY FITS DESCRIPTION OF UNSUB WITH EXCEPTION HE IS APPROXIMATELY FIVE FEET ELEVEN INSTEAD OF SIX FEET.

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(1) *KAB*Approved: *Jed*

Special Agent in Charge

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Per *2:40*

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[ ] MENTIONED ~~THAT THE~~ [ ] NEWSPAPER SHOULD  
HAVE A PHOTOGRAPH OF [ ] AS HE RECALLS [ ] PHOTOGRAPH  
BEING IN PAPER APPROXIMATELY [ ] IN CONNECTION WITH [ ]

[ ] - P -

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NR 661 NY PLAIN

246 URGENT 12-3-71 KEH

TO PORTLAND

SEATTLE

FROM NEW YORK (164-627)

SUBJECT:

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER  
TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE, CAA - HIJACKING OO: SEATTLE.

[REDACTED], MAGAZINE MANAGEMENT, SIX TWO FIVE MADISON  
AVENUE, NEW YORK ADVISED NYO HE RECEIVED A FOUR PAGE ARTICLE  
FOR PUBLICATION FROM [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] PORTLAND OREGON DESCRIBING  
DETAILS OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES JET HIJACKED NEAR PORTLAND. ARTICLE  
SENT BY CERTIFIED MAIL AND POSTMARKED PORTLAND OREGON IS DESCRIBED  
BY [REDACTED] AS FICTION APPEARS TO BE IDENTICAL WITH NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS  
OF THIS INVESTIGATION.

PORTLAND CHECK OFFICE INDICES AND CONSIDER CONTACT OF [REDACTED]  
REGARDING DETAILS OF ARTICLE HE MAILED TO "MEN ONLY"  
MAGAZINE. ASCERTAIN IF PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF [REDACTED] IS  
ANYWHERE NEAR DESCRIPTION OF UNSUB.

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NYO OBTAINING ORIGINAL ARTICLE MAILED TO MAGAZINE FOR  
SUBSEQUENT SUBMISSION TO FBI LABORATORY FOR LATENTS.

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FBI PD CLR

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11:52  
SAC notified  
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NR 003 LR PLAIN

4:46 PM URGENT 12-3-71 JEY

TO , SEATTLE (164-81)

ALBUQUERQUE

PORTLAND (164-41)

SAN FRANCISCO

FROM LITTLE ROCK (164-22) (P)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE  
ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTY-  
ONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. SEATTLE ORIGIN.

RE SEATTLE LETTER TO ALBANY, NOVEMBER THIRTY, LAST.

RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

*INDEX*

[REDACTED] OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, ADVISED LITTLE  
ROCK OFFICE THAT APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED]

SUSPECT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], RUSSELLVILLE, ARKANSAS AT WHICH TIME

[REDACTED] SAID HE WAS FROM AURORA, OREGON AND [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT COMPOSITE SKETCH OF  
UNSUB STRONGLY RESEMBLES [REDACTED] EXCEPT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] INDICATED HE HAD [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] IN THE NORTHWEST U. S. AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TOLD [REDACTED] THAT HE HAD

[REDACTED] WASH-

INGTON AND OREGON. [REDACTED]

ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO, [REDACTED], AND GAVE HIS

[REDACTED] DROVE STATIONWAGON

WHILE IN LITTLE ROCK.

[REDACTED] SUGGESTED CONTACTING U. S. PARACHUTING ASSO-  
CIATION IN MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA, AS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] SIGNATURE AVAILABLE FROM [REDACTED]

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IF NEEDED. LITTLE ROCK INDICES NEGATIVE ON [REDACTED].

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ALBUQUERQUE AT ALBUQUERQUE. WILL CHECK WITH LOCAL  
JUMP CLUBS AND ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH AND CURRENT  
LOCATION OF SUSPECT [REDACTED]

PORTLAND DIVISION AT AURORA, OREGON. WILL CHECK  
ON [REDACTED] ALLEGED RESIDENCE IN AURORA, OREGON, AND ATTEMPT  
TO OBTAIN PHOTO OF [REDACTED]

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SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION AT MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA.  
WILL CHECK WITH THE U. S. PARACHUTING ASSOCIATION IN AN  
ATTEMPT TO LOCATE [REDACTED] AND OBTAIN PHOTO.

SEATTLE DIVISION AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. WILL CON-  
SIDER [REDACTED] SUSPECT.

END

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REC OK FBI PORTLAND CLR TU

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TEL TO  
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8:01 PM 12-3-71 NITEL DD

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

SAC, CLEVELAND

SAC, SEATTLE

SAC, MINNEAPOLIS

SAC, PHOENIX

SAC, BALTIMORE

SAC, PORTLAND

HARRY WM CELK  
NO <sup>PROB</sup> LEADS

FROM: SAC, BUTTE (164-26) 2P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA-  
HIJACKING, EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

RE SUSPECT HARRY WILLIAM CELK, AKA HARRY W. CELK,  
ERIC CELK.

REFERENCE CLEVELAND TEL DECEMBER THREE, SEVEN ONE AND  
SEATTLE TELCALL TO BUTTE DECEMBER THREE, SEVEN ONE.

INVESTIGATION AT HELENE, MONTANA THIS DATE, INDICATES  
HARRY WILLIAM CELK, PRESENTLY RESIDING AT ONE ZERO ZERO  
NINE CANNON, HELENA, MONTANA AND EMPLOYED AS SALESMAN  
COSART VOLKSWAGEN, INC., ONE NINE FIVE ZERO EUCLID AVE.,  
HELENA, MONTANA. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], RESIDENCE [REDACTED], HELENA,  
MONTANA.

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE TO SEATTLE TELCALL, CELK  
AND [REDACTED] NOT INTERVIEWED PENDING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS OF  
SEATTLE.

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NR 014 PD PLAIN

8:35 PM URGENT 12/3/71 TLA

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

*No P+L LEADS*

UNSUB; N.W. AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE DECEMBER ONE SEVENTYONE.

SUSPECT; [REDACTED]

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SALEM, OREGON, SAID [REDACTED]

HER KNOWLEDGE. [REDACTED] HAS NOT SEEN HIM SINCE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND DOESN'T KNOW HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS.

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] HE IS DESCRIBED AS DOB [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] (LOOKS OLDER), SIX FOOT ONE,  
ONE NINE ZERO POUNDS, HAZEL EYES, HAIR COAL BLACK, THINNING  
ON TOP, COMBED OVER THIN AREA, COMPLEXION MEDIUM AND TAN,  
WEARS CONSERVATIVE DARK SUITS [REDACTED] THINKS  
ARTISTS SKETCH IS SIMILAR BUT BELIEVES HE IS NOT RESOURCEFUL  
ENOUGH TO CARRY OUT THIS HIJACKING.

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[REDACTED] SALEM, OREGON, RECORDS DISCLOSE

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[REDACTED] EMPLOYED FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHEN HE LEFT JOB [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SPOKANE, WASHINGTON.

PHOTO OF [REDACTED] SHOWN TO WITNESS [REDACTED] N.W. AIRLINES  
AND HE BELIEVES [REDACTED] NOT IDENTICAL TO UNSUB.

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ONE PHOTO OF [REDACTED] BEING FORWARDED MINNEAPOLIS TO DISPLAY TO  
WITNESSES.

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8:45 PM URGENT 12/3/71 TLA

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

*John Gordon Hoskins  
No P+LD LEADS*

UNSUB; N.W. AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE; PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE

RE SACRAMENTO AIRTEL TO SEATTLE NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE SEVENTYONE.  
SUSPECT JOHN GORDON HOSKINS. *INVTX*

PHOTO OF SUSPECT HOSKINS SHOWN TO [REDACTED], N.W.

AIRLINES, PORTLAND, ON DECEMBER TWO SEVENTYONE AND [REDACTED] OF OPINION  
SUSPECT NOT IDENTICAL TO UNSUB.

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FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) / P [REDACTED]b6  
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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO  
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION, OO:SEATTLE, BUFILE 164-2111

RE PREVIOUS COMMUNICATIONS ON PLANE USING NAME [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] INTERVIEWED DECEMBER ONE, SEVENTYONE AND  
FURNISHED FOLLOWING:

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Approved: [Signature]

Special Agent in Charge

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on December 1, 1971:

AT PORTLAND, OREGON

[ ]  
General Aviation District of the Federal Aviation Adminis-  
tration (FAA), 5410 N.E. Marine, advised her records  
disclose no listing for LEE JOSEPH GILPATRICK for a pilot's  
license in Portland.

[ ] stated that the address of FAA's main  
headquarters is Airman Certification FAA, P. O. Box 25082,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73125. Their files would contain  
the information of anyone having a pilot's license in the  
state of Oregon.

[ ]  
[ ] stated that  
GILPATRICK [ ], and the last time he  
saw him was in approximately [ ]. He has no idea of the  
current whereabouts of GILPATRICK. [ ] stated [ ]

[ ]  
Los Angeles, California, [ ].

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[ ] RBJ

NR010 WA PLAIN

4:40AM URGENT 12-4-71 DCW

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

PORTLAND

MINNEAPOLIS

LAS VEGAS (164-60)

FROM DIRECTOR 2P

UNSUB, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE NAUGHT FIVE, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION.

RE SEATTLE LETTER NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE SEVENTYONE SUBMITTING  
THREE PAPER ITEMS.

TWENTYFOUR LATENT FINGERPRINTS AND FIVE LATENT PALM PRINTS  
DEVELOPED.

LATENT FINGERPRINTS NOT IDENTICAL FINGERPRINTS FOLLOWING,  
WHOSE PALM PRINTS NOT AVAILABLE: GARY EVAN JOSEPH SANDAL, FBI  
NUMBER NINE THREE SEVEN SIX THREE EIGHT D, [REDACTED] FBI  
NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

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ARTIST SKETCH -

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CONTACT WITH A POSSIBLE  
SUSPECT. NRB

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[REDACTED] FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], DOUGLAS COOPER, BORN APRIL TWENTYFOUR TWENTYFIVE, CHESHIRE,  
ENGLAND, HARRY WILLIAM CELK BORN OCTOBER THREE THIRTYFIVE, OHIO,  
FINGERPRINTED SEPTEMBER TWELVE SIXTYONE U.S. COAST GUARD  
WASHINGTON D.C. NUMBER ONE ONE SEVEN SIX EIGHT NAUGHT AS  
APPLICANT FOR SEAMANS DOCUMENT.

CONFIRMING.

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P)   /   P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT  
THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE; CAA-HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE; BUFILE ONE SIX FOUR-TWO ONE ONE ONE.

REMYTEL DECEMBER THREE, SEVENTY ONE.

SMALL PARACHUTE SPOTTED IN FOREST NEAR RIGDON FOREST STATION,  
NEAR OAKRIDGE, OREGON, REPORTED IN RETEL DETERMINED TO BEAR  
METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENT HAVING GOVERNMENT IDENTIFICATION ON IT.

NO FURTHER ACTION RE THIS LEAD BEING TAKEN.

①-Portland

RPH:smp  
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Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in ChargeSent 9:25 P MPer [Signature]

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 1 P

UNSUB, AKA D. B. COOPER, HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT  
THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE; CAA-HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE; BUFILE ONE SIX FOUR-TWO ONE ONE ONE.

REURTELCAL FROM SA  TO PORTLAND THIS DATE.FACSIMILE PHOTO OF HARRY WILLIAM CELK DISPLAYED TO , NORTHWEST AIRLINES, PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL  
AIRPORT, INSTANT DATE.

STATED DUE TO POOR QUALITY OF FACSIMILE REPRODUCTION,  
HE COULD NOT EFFECT ANY POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION, AND REITERATED  
PRIOR POSITION THAT HE BELIEVES ORIGINAL PHOTOGRAPHS NECESSARY  
FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES.

1-Portland

TPN:smp

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Approved: [Signature]

Special Agent in Charge

Sent 2:31 MPer [Signature]

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE  
ZERO FIVE, ETC., CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION, (OO: SEATTLE).

## SUMMARY TELETYPE.

~~U.S. FOREST SERVICE EMPLOYEES SPOTTED REDDISH ORANGE PILOT  
PARACHUTE HANGING ABOUT ONE HUNDRED FIFTY FEET IN AIR IN  
PONDEROSA PINE TREE NEAR RIGDON GUARD STATION ABOUT TWENTY  
MILES SOUTH OF OAKRIDGE, OREGON AND ABOUT FORTY MILES EAST OF  
PLOTTER TRACK OF HIJACKED AIRCRAFT. OREGON STATE POLICE (OSP)  
ARE CHECKING CHUTE OUT ON ASSUMPTION IT RELATES TO MISSING  
AIRMAN IN VIEW OF FACT HIJACKED CHUTE WAS WHITE. PORTLAND  
FOLLOWING WITH OSP.~~

TWO LETTERS RECEIVED TODAY SIGNED D.B. COOPER ONE BY  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES, PORTLAND AND ONE BY THE OREGONIAN NEWSPAPER,  
PORTLAND. BOTH LETTERS AND ENVELOPES ARE BEING FORWARDED TO  
FBI LABORATORY FOR EXAMINATION WITH CARBON COPIES TO SEATTLE.

1- PORTLAND (164-41)

NBB:csm  
(1)Approved: M/SER  
Special Agent in ChargeSent 430 P

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OTHER INVESTIGATION BY PORTLAND TODAY RELATES TO CHECKING  
OUT LOOK A LIKE LEADS WITH NO POSITIVE RESULTS. P.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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9:25 PM URGENT 12/4/71 DCA

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

MINNEAPOLIS

BUTTE (164-26)

PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 2P

*HARRY WM CELK  
LEAD HANDLED*

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE; CAA -  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE: SUSPECT HARRY WILLIAM CELK.

RE BU TEL CALL AND SEATTLE TELETYPE THIS DATE.

TO SUMMARIZE PROGRESS MADE IN RESOLVING CELK AS SUSPECT -

BUREAU WAS ADVISED IN RETEL THAT SEATTLE WITNESSES [ ] AND

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[ ] ADVISE PHOTO NOT IDENT. WITNESS [ ], EUGENE,  
OREGON, SAID EARS STAND OUT TOO MUCH, FACE TOO ROUND, BUT WILL NOT  
SAY YES OR NO. WITNESS [ ], PORTLAND, WANTS TO SEE  
BETTER PHOTOS, AND GLOSSY PHOTOS BEING FLOWN PORTLAND THIS DATE.

STEWARDESS [ ], MINNEAPOLIS, TODAY SAID PHOTO NOT  
IDENT. OTHER TWO STEWARDESSES IN TRAVEL STATUS. MINNEAPOLIS WILL  
CONTACT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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*Seattle advised  
by telephone  
See attached memo  
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BUTTE UNABLE TO DETERMINE TODAY WHETHER CELK IN HELENA,  
MONTANA, ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST. EFFORTS CONTINUING.

BUTTE, MINNEAPOLIS, PORTLAND EXPEDITE AND SUTEL BUREAU AND  
SEATTLE.

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11:26 PM URGENT 12-4-71 ALH

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SEATTLE (164-81)

MINNEAPOLIS

PORTLAND

FROM BUTTE (164-26)

*HARRY WM CELK  
No P.L.D. LEADS*

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE;  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE; NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA -  
HIJACKING, EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SUSPECT HARRY WILLIAM CELK, AKA.

RE BUTTE TEL BUREAU DECEMBER THREE LAST AND SEATTLE TELEPHONE  
CALL BUTTE DECEMBER FOUR, INSTANT.

COSART VOLKSWAGEN, INC. IS SMALL DEALERSHIP ON OUTSKIRTS  
HELENA, MONTANA. COSART AND ONLY CLOSE NEIGHBOR, SKIDOO SNOW-  
MOBILE DEALERSHIP, CLOSED ONE P.M. UNTIL MONDAY NEXT.

CELK RESIDES IN FOUR APARTMENT COMPLEX. KARMANN GHIA WITH  
DEALER LICENSE PLATE PARKED OUTSIDE TODAY. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], NOT AVAILABLE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], BELIEVED RELIABLE AND IN-  
TERVIEWED. CASUALLY KNOWS CELK BUT CANNOT DEFINITELY STATE CELK  
IN HELENA NIGHT OF HIJACKING.

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DUE TO REPUTATION OF [REDACTED], DISCREET EFFORTS BEING  
MADE TO IDENTIFY AND ESTABLISH RELIABILITY [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
PD RECORDS SHOW ONLY TRAFFIC CITATION FOR CELK.

NO RECORD [REDACTED] OR CELK BUTTE INDICES.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

SUSPECT CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS SINCE REPORTEDLY  
CARRIES GUN.

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4:25 AM NITEL 12/5/71 SRC

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

KANSAS CITY

LOS ANGELES

SAN FRANCISCO

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA-  
HIJACKING, EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

ON DECEMBER FIVE NINETEEN SEVENTYONE

[REDACTED], OREGONIAN NEWSPAPER AT PORTLAND ADVISED  
THAT HE HAD RECEIVED A CALL FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED MALE WHO  
STATED THAT [REDACTED] WHO PERPETRATED CAPTIONED MATTER  
ARE NAMED [REDACTED]

AND THAT THEY COULD BE LOCATED AT EITHER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], KANSAS CITY, MO., OR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA WHERE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
SUN VALLEY, CALIFORNIA [REDACTED]

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THE CALLER STATED THAT HE IS INTERESTED IN COLLECTING A  
REWARD FOR THIS INFORMATION AND WILL RECONTACT

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KANSAS CITY, LOS ANGELES, AND SAN FRANCISCO TELEPHONICALLY  
ADVISED AND ARE CONDUCTING APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION.

PORTLAND WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH  FOR  
ADDITIONAL CONTACTS MADE BY CALLER. KANSAS CITY, SAN FRANCISCO  
AND LOS ANGELES CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AND  
REPORT RESULTS TO SEATTLE AND PORTLAND.

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FBI KANSAS CITY CLR

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6:57AM NITEL 12-5-71 KWC

TO PORTLAND (164-41)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM KANSAS CITY (164-80)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA-  
HIJACKING, EXTORTION. OO:SEATTLE.

RE-PORTLAND TELECALL TO KANSAS CITY INSTANT DATE AND PORTLAND  
TELETYPE INSTANT DATE.

REVIEW OF CITY DIRECTORIES FOR GREATER KANSAS CITY AREA WAS  
NEGATIVE FOR ADDRESS OF [REDACTED]

KANSAS CITY INDICIES NEGATIVE REGARDING [REDACTED]

KANSAS CITY INDICIES REFLECT A [REDACTED] WHO IS REFERENCED IN  
A ITSMV CASE. [REDACTED] IS CURRENTLY [REDACTED] YEARS OLD.

KANSAS CITY INDICIES REVEALED FOURTEEN [REDACTED] AT PORTLAND  
REQUEST KANSAS CITY IS SENDING FOLLOWING PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF

[REDACTED] WHOSE INDICIES CARD

REFLECTED HE HAD BEEN IN [REDACTED]. KANSAS CITY HAD

ITSMV CASE IN [REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WHITE

MALE, BORN [REDACTED]

FIVE FEET EIGHT, ONE, SIXTY LBS., BROWN EYES, BROWN HAIR, DARK

COMPLEXION WITH HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION FROM [REDACTED]

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KANSAS CITY TELEPHONE DIRECTORY WAS NEGATIVE FOR [REDACTED] AND  
[REDACTED] . DIRECTORY LISTED FIVE [REDACTED] NONE OF WHOM HAD  
ADDRESS OF [REDACTED] .

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KANSAS CITY WILL CONDUCT FURTHER INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE  
[REDACTED] .

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Date: 12/5/71

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO  
SEATTLE, ELEVEN TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION.  
OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TEL TO DIRECTOR, BT, MP, AND PD, TWELVE FOUR  
SEVENTYONE.

RE: SUSPECT HARRY WILLIAM CELK:

ON TWELVE FIVE INSTANT, [REDACTED], NORTHWEST  
AIRLINES, PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ADVISED CELK PHOTOS  
BEAR RESEMBLANCE TO UNSUB, HOWEVER NOT BELIEVED IDENTICAL TO  
UNSUB. DISSIMILARITIES IN HAIRLINE AND MOUTH NOTED BY [REDACTED].

ON SAME DATE, [REDACTED]  
EUGENE, OREGON ADVISED CELK'S NOSE, LIPS AND EARS TOO BIG TO BE  
HIJACKER.

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ATTN: (104-1)

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URSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO  
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVEN, HYDRE, CAA - HIJACKING,  
EXFORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

LA PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SAN FRANCISCO THIS DATE.

RE PORTLAND TELEPHONE CALL TO SAN FRANCISCO THIS DATE.

INVESTIGATION THIS DATE DETERMINED ADDRESS

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WAS BEEN COOPERATIVE IN THE PAST WITH THIS BUREAU.

IS ADVISED THAT

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R. Helmsbach  
noted 8<sup>20</sup> 12/5/71

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[REDACTED] RECORDS OF INSIDENT

[REDACTED] NOT AVAILABLE THIS DATE.

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[REDACTED] NOT AVAILABLE FOR INTER-

VIEWS THIS DATE.

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE AT [REDACTED] COULD NOT FURNISH  
INFO REGARDING [REDACTED]  
IF ANY, ON THIS DATE. THIS SOURCE WILL ENDEAVOR TO DO SO MONDAY,  
TWELVE SIX, NEXT.

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SAN FRANCISCO INDICES REVEALED THE FOLLOWING INFO: (UML)

[REDACTED] SAN FRANCISCO FILE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MEMRO. DOB [REDACTED]. CGRA NUMBER [REDACTED]

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PASSENGER STATUS NOT AVAILABLE THIS DATE.

(TRO) [REDACTED], SF FILE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NAME [REDACTED] (CHECK FOR OTHER ALIAS) [REDACTED] HAS

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[REDACTED]

DESCRIBED: WHITE, DOB [REDACTED]  
FIVE TEN, TWO ZERO TWO LBS., AND W HAIR BALDING TO  
TOP MIDDLE, EYES BLUE, COMPLEXION OLIVE. PARENTS ARE [REDACTED]

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(UNCL) SAN FRANCISCO FILE [REDACTED]

RECORDED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], ARRESTED [REDACTED] POLICE  
DEPARTMENT, [REDACTED].

INVESTIGATION AT SAN FRANCISCO CONTINUING.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM : SA JERRY G. WILSON

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES,  
FLIGHT 305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING  
EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

At 11:04 pm, this date [redacted] Oregonian newspaper, Portland advised that he had received lengthy information from an unidentified male who related that [redacted] in captioned matter, and furnished names and addresses of the individuals involved. [redacted] advised that caller would make himself known at time of arrests for purpose of gaining reward, [redacted] advised he was unable to relate details on telephone inasmuch he was [redacted] requested an agent pick up material at his office. SA [redacted] was dispatched immediately

Information related to SA [redacted] indicated that [redacted] are responsible for captioned matter. [redacted] advised caller indicated above mentioned persons could be located at one of the following addresses; [redacted], Kansas City Missouri, [redacted] Sun Valley, Calif., [redacted] Oakland, Calif. [redacted] advised caller (call appeared to be local)

[redacted] Additionally advised [redacted] the caller indicated that [redacted] address. [redacted] advised caller also stated that [redacted] Oakland, Calif. [redacted] advised caller appeared to be fearful for his life indicating he was quote [redacted] enquote and would identify himself for purposes of obtaining the reward when the above named persons are apprehended.

[redacted] advised caller did not appear to be either a drunk or crank caller.

JGW/src



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Saturday, Dec. 4

10:45

Man with clear voice calls Oregonian city desk and gives following information in this order

## NOTE

[redacted]  
[redacted], Sun Valley, Calif.  
[redacted], Oakland, Calif.

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These are men who got the \$200,000 hijacked plane.  
They will be at one of the above addresses.

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[redacted] in Sun Valley  
[redacted] in Oakland

I can't tell you any more because my life isn't worth it.

~~When~~ When these are arrested, I'll call you back for the reward.

(Told we had no knowledge of a reward offered, he replied, "I know there is one.")

Asked where he got this information, he replied, "[redacted]"

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Didn't sound like a nut, or high or drunk. Trifle excited. Started conversation by asking whether I was reporter, given [redacted], asked my name which I gave, [redacted], then asked me if I had a pencil, told me to take "this down". When I declined to do anything until I knew what it was about, he asked,

"How would you like to know about a hijacked plane?"

So I took notes. As ~~soon~~ soon as he hung up I typed this out.

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STOP

STOP



HARRY W. CECK

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (164-41)

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM :

SA [REDACTED]

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b7C

SUBJECT:

UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines, Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle 11/24/71;  
CAS-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

*HARRY WILLIAM CELK*

OO Seattle.

[REDACTED], Seattle Division, phoned this morning to advise he was transmitting by facsimile photos of suspect HARRY WILLIAM CELK, which should be sent on to Eugene R/A by facsimile and be shown to witnesses today. Also they should be shown to witness at Portland if any.

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SA ACKERMAN at Eugene was advised and SA [REDACTED] has received the facsimiles and will handle there.

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ASAC RUEHL was advised in the absence of Mr. MATTSON from the city. SA HINMELSBACH and SA BELFREY were advised and SA [REDACTED], the stand-by agent, will handle at Portland.

Also [REDACTED] the Oregonian, 226-2121, extension [REDACTED], phoned to advise that the newspaper had received a letter which was printed out in ink and reads "I am right here in Portland and the \$200,000.00 is for revolution".

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The letter has been handled by some few people but he will protect it from further handling so that it can be picked up either today or Monday.

If possible, SA [REDACTED] will pick up the letter today.

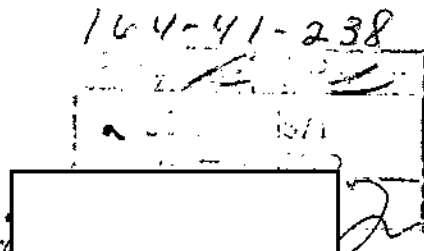
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PD (164-41)

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM : SA JERRY G. WILSON

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES,  
FLIGHT 305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIGHJACKING  
EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

HARRY WM CELK  
LEAD HANDLED

At 7:30PM 12/4/71 ASAC BIBLER of Seattle Division advised 4 photos of HARRY WILLIAM CELK were being placed on Eastern Air Lines Flight #962 in custody of [REDACTED] Flight scheduled to arrive PD, Ore. at 8:55PM on 12/4/71. BIBLER requested photos be displayed to witnesses [REDACTED] at PD, and [REDACTED] at Eugene and results of photo display be furnished to BUREAU and Seattle by teletype.

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[REDACTED] Advised  
7:35 PM by JGW

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[REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SEATTLE (164-81)  
KANSAS CITY  
LOS ANGELES  
FROM : SAN FRANCISCO

DATE: 12/5/71

SUBJECT: UNSUB, Northwest Airlines, Flight 300,  
Portland To Seattle, 11/24/71, QAA- [redacted]

Exhibition  
on: SEATTLE

On 12/4/71 [redacted] Oregonian  
newspaper at Portland advised that he had received a  
call from an unidentified male who stated that [redacted]  
[redacted] who perpetrated captioned matter are  
named [redacted]  
and that they could be located at either [redacted]  
[redacted] Kansas City Mo., [redacted]  
Oakland, California [redacted]  
[redacted] Sun Valley, California  
[redacted]. The caller stated  
that he is interested in collecting a reward for this  
information and will recontact [redacted]

Kansas City, Los Angeles and San Francisco telephonically  
advised and are conducting appropriate investigation.  
Portland will maintain contact with [redacted] for  
any additional contacts made by caller. Kansas City,  
San Francisco & Los Angeles conduct appropriate investigation  
& report results to Seattle & Portland.

See serial 241

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NO FTL LEADS NOW

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC ( 164-41)

DATE: Dec. 5, 1971

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB:  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING  
EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

On 12/5/71 the Agent called San Francisco, Los Angeles and Kansas City Divisions and advised as to the contents of the 12/4/71 Memo of SA Jerry G. Wilson in this matter. Each Division was requested to conduct Indices and City Directory checks on names and addresses and to carry out any investigation logical. The individuals responding in each of the Divisions reported as follows: (Confirming teletypes will follow)

Los Angeles: SA [REDACTED] advised that indices and City Directory and telephone directory was negative on [REDACTED]. Indices numerous on [REDACTED] and variations; [REDACTED] was a Negro male [REDACTED] d.o.b. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] City Directory shows an address of [REDACTED] in Sun Valley, California but the directory may be incomplete. The indication is that it may be a good address as [REDACTED]

San Francisco: SPC [REDACTED] advised that there are numerous references to [REDACTED]. The most noteworthy is an [REDACTED] S.F. file [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He is 5'10"; 202#; born [REDACTED] olive complexioned; blue eyes; ~~dark~~ brown hair, balding; [REDACTED] Disposition of [REDACTED] unknown. City directory Oakland does not show a [REDACTED] but does show [REDACTED] as the residence of [REDACTED]. No indices references to [REDACTED]

KANSAS CITY: SA [REDACTED] advised that there are numerous references to [REDACTED] and one to [REDACTED] d.o.b. [REDACTED]

Each of the above Offices will review indices cases for any possibilities & will have addresses physically inspected 12/5/71.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC (164-41)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA THOMAS J. DUGAN

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305, 11/25/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

RE: WHITE OBJECTS APPEAR TO BE PARACHUTES  
IN TROUTDALE AREA

[redacted]  
[redacted] business [redacted] residence [redacted]  
Troutdale, Oregon. [redacted] advised that on 12/5/71 he  
observed [redacted] two white objects which  
appeared to be parachutes located about [redacted]  
[redacted] in an inaccessible area on a ridge between  
Beach Creek and Gordon Creek on the east side of the Sandy  
River. He advised he observed these objects through eight  
power glasses and from observing them "flapping" in the  
wind, he believes that these could be parachutes.

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*Survey this situation  
from the ground  
before considering aircraft.*

*Lead*  
[redacted]  
DUGAN

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB; Northwest Airlines, Flight 308,  
Portland to Seattle, November 24, 1971,  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

CAALIC [REDACTED]

Instant date, [REDACTED], Portland International Airport, telephonically contacted this office and furnished the following information:

UNSUB, who resembles UNSUB who in case got off Continental Airlines Flight number [REDACTED] and got into newer model sedan, bearing California license [REDACTED]. Individual carrying flight bag with initials [REDACTED]. He was picked up by another wma.

The above is being submitted for whatever action deemed necessary.

EFK/EEK

*Received by [REDACTED]  
12-1-71  
[REDACTED]*

*[Handwritten signature]*

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P)

UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIGHJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

*LTR TO RENO NEWSPAPER*

Re Las Vegas telex to Bureau and Seattle, 11/30/71.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau is the original letter and envelope forwarded to the "Reno Evening Gazette" at Reno, Nevada, postmarked Oakdale, California, 11/27/71.

Elimination fingerprints of personnel handling same at the newspaper are being obtained and will be forwarded to the Bureau as soon as received.

The Laboratory is requested to conduct appropriate examination of the enclosed to determine any pertinent latent fingerprints which could be identified with the sender and furnish the results to pertinent offices.

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1-Seattle (164-81) (Info)  
1-Portland (Info)  
1-Sacramento (Info)  
1-Las Vegas  
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Date: December 3, 1971

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(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

(Priority)

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka SUSPECT! [REDACTED]  
 Dan Cooper;  
 Northwest Airlines  
 Flight 305  
 Portland to Seattle  
 11/24/71  
 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
 OO: SEATTLE

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Re Portland teletype to Seattle 11/29/71.

RE: [REDACTED]  
 (Previously carried as [REDACTED])

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On December 1, 1971 [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] Bellevue, Washington, advised that  
 one [REDACTED] applied for a loan in [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] on a 1968 Dodge Valiant van, title of which, according  
 to [REDACTED], is still held by [REDACTED].

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[REDACTED] furnished the following information in  
 connection with this loan:

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2 - Portland  
 3 - Seattle  
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H. S. Galt	[Signature]

[REDACTED] m

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_

Special Agent in Charge

SE 164-81

Name

[Redacted]

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Age

Height

6'

Weight

175

Eyes

Brown

Hair

Brown

Marital Status

[Redacted]

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Previous Addresses

[Redacted]

Occupation

[Redacted]

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Relatives

[Redacted]

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Credit Rating

Miscellaneous

[Redacted]

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[redacted] also related that her records reflect that [redacted] still holds title to aforementioned van [redacted] this time. She also related that [redacted] account has been [redacted]

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Records of the Seattle Credit Bureau, Seattle Police Department, and King County Sheriff's Office checked on December 2, 1971 reflect the following additional information concerning [redacted]

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Residences

[redacted]

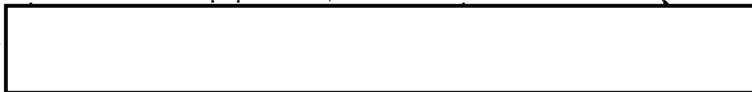
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Employment

[redacted]

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Marital



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No arrest record was located for [ ] at the Seattle Police Department or the King County Sheriff's Office and his name is negative in Seattle indices.

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The above is furnished for the information of the Portland Office in the investigation of this matter.

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

DENVER

SAN FRANCISCO

FROM: SACRAMENTO (164-50)

*SUSPECT: HAROLD L. DOWELL  
NO P+LD LEADS*

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TEL TO SACRAMENTO, DECEMBER ONE, LAST.

FOR INFORMATION DENVER AND SAN FRANCISCO, RE TEL ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:

[REDACTED], WASHINGTON, AFTER VIEWING ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF SUBJECT, ADVISED HE STRONGLY RESEMBLES HAROLD L. DOWELL, SIX TWO ZERO, CAROLINA STREET, VALLEJO, CALIFORNIA. DOWELL IS FORMER PILOT AND JUMPER, ALSO ON PAROLE FROM COLORADO AND CAPABLE OF COMMITTING THIS CRIME.

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① - PORTLAND (AM)  
1 - SACRAMENTO  
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CALIFORNIA PAROLE AUTHORITIES AT VALLEJO ADVISE THEY HAVE NO  
PAROLEE BY NAME OF DOWELL. REVIEW CURRENT TELEPHONE AND CITY  
DIRECTORIES HAVE NO LISTING FOR DOWELL, NINETEEN SIXTY-SEVEN  
VALLEJO CITY DIRECTORY LISTS [REDACTED], RESIDING  
[REDACTED], VALLEJO CITY OFFICES LIST WATER  
SERVICE LATIER ADDRESS, NAME OF [REDACTED].

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VALLEJO POLICE DEPARTMENT RECORDS NEGATIVE ON DOWELL. SOLANO  
COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, FAIRFIELD, CALIFORNIA, DISCLOSE HAROLD LEE  
DOWELL BOOKED OCTOBER ELEVEN, SIXTY-SIX, LOCAL CHARGES. BOOKING  
[REDACTED] DESCRIBED DOWELL WMA, BORN SEPTEMBER TWENTY-SIX, TWENTY-SIX,  
DENVER, COLORADO, SIX FEET ONE INCH, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE POUNDS,  
BLACK HAIR, BROWN EYES, RUDDY COMPLEXION, TWO-INCH SCAR RIGHT EYE,  
SELF-EMPLOYED AUTO MECHANIC, FBI NUMBER FOUR FOUR THREE TWO EIGHT  
ZERO, CALIFORNIA BUREAU OF CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION AND INVESTIGA-  
TION NUMBER THREE ONE ONE FOUR NINE SEVEN SEVEN, CALIFORNIA  
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DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER D EIGHT FIVE TWO SIX NINE NINE, SSAN FIVE ONE FOUR DASH ONE SIX DASH ONE SEVEN NINE SIX. AT TIME OF ARREST, DOWELL OWNER OF NINETEEN FIFTY-EIGHT LINCOLN, FOUR-DOOR, CALIFORNIA LICENSE DTE FOUR TWO ONE. PHOTOS OBTAINED.

[REDACTED], VALLEJO, ADVISED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DOWELL HAS

NOT RESIDED THAT ADDRESS SINCE AND IS UNKNOWN TO [REDACTED]. FURTHER ADVISED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AT

WHICH TIME DOWELL IN UKIAH, CALIFORNIA.

DENVER CONTACT COLORADO PRISON AUTHORITIES AND DETERMINE IF DOWELL COLORADO PAROLEE AND IF SO OBTAIN PAROLE LOCATION AND AVAILABLE BACKGROUND INFORMATION.

SAN FRANCISCO AT UKIAH, MAKE INQUIRY CONCERNING DOWELL IN  
(END PAGE THREE)

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EFFORT TO ASCERTAIN WHEREABOUTS NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, LAST, AND  
ANY INFORMATION INDICATING HE IS FORMER PILOT AND JUMPER.

PHOTOS WILL BE FURNISHED SEATTLE, SAN FRANCISCO, LAS VEGAS,  
AND PORTLAND.

AIRMAIL COPIES TO LAS VEGAS AND PORTLAND.

END.

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Transmit in \_\_\_\_\_ Via \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Priority)

Date 12/3/71

TO: SAC, Portland (164-41)

FROM: Director, FBI (164-2111)

UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71  
CRIME ABOARD AIRCRAFT -  
HIJACKING  
OO: SEATTLE

Reference is made to Portland teletype to Bureau dated 12/1/71 (no copy Seattle) indicating officials from Department of the Interior, Portland, Oregon, are requesting reimbursement of \$935 for use of helicopters in connection with searches in captioned matter.

This airtel confirms telephonic information furnished SAC, Portland 12/2/71 authorizing the Portland Office to make arrangements to pay the Department of the Interior as requested in referenced teletype. Portland insure copies of future communications are designated for Seattle which is office of origin in this matter.

1 - SAC, Seattle (Information)

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 6, 1971

On December 3, 1971, [redacted], Northwest Airlines [redacted], Portland International Airport, Portland, Oregon, was contacted and shown photographs of two white male individuals, one of which could possibly be responsible for hijacking a Northwest Boeing 727, November 24, 1971.

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[redacted] stated he could not positively identify either of the photographs as that of the hijacker. He advised the individuals in the photographs seemed to be older than the hijacker as he remembers him.

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Photographs shown were those of [redacted] and BEN LEIBSON.

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On 12/3/71 at Portland, Oregon File # PD 164-41-248  
by SA [redacted] :tam Date dictated 12/3/71

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 3, 1971

On December 3, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted] Northwest Airlines Portland International  
Airport, Portland, Oregon, was contacted and shown photographs  
of two white male individuals, one of which may possibly  
be that of the person responsible for hijacking a Northwest  
Boeing 727, November 24, 1971.

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[redacted] stated he was unable to positively  
identify either of the photographs as that of the hijacker.  
[redacted] advised he did not note any resemblance to that of  
the hijacker in photographs.

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LEIBSON Photographs shown were [redacted] and BEN

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On 12/3/71 at Portland, Oregon File # PD 164-41 -249  
by SA [redacted] :tam Date dictated 12/3/71

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TJD:csn

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*Suspect*



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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent THOMAS J. DUGAN on November 29, 1971:

[redacted] was interviewed at [redacted], Oregon, on November 29, 1971, and advised as follows:

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He is [redacted]

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He advised he had been interviewed by two FBI Agents from Longview on Wednesday, November 24, 1971, inasmuch as he

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[redacted] He said at that time he was shown a number of "mug shots" and that the "mugshot" in the upper left hand corner seemed familiar to him, but he could not recall who this might be or the man's name. He advised that he now recalls who this might be, on [redacted], who is from Southern California. [redacted] can usually be found in or around [redacted], California, or [redacted] out of Los Angeles. He said [redacted] has [redacted]

[redacted] described [redacted] as about 5'10" or 5'11" tall, 175 pounds, dark, and in [redacted].

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[redacted] stated that he would like to see this "mug shot" again, that is the one he was shown by the FBI Agents from Longview, Washington.

[redacted] advised after being shown the artist's sketch of the unknown subject, that "no one [redacted] fits because of the age factor."

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[redacted] further advised that on the basis of description

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and facial features. he could probably name around [ ] men [ ] who would fit. He said that in order to do this it would be necessary to [ ]

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The description and sketch of the unknown subject were left with him.

He advised [ ]

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[ ] stated that he has given considerable thought of what action the unknown subject had taken, based on what he, [ ] would have done.

[ ] believed that the unknown subject was disappointed with the "chutes" that were given him. He was probably expecting "sport chutes" instead of the "emergency chutes" that he got.

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He stated that the reason the rear door of the 727 was not opened immediately after the airplane took off for Seattle was because the unknown subject was "repacking" the "chute" and did not want any air circulating in the airplane. He said by making some adjustments, the "emergency chute" could have been altered so that it could be made into a directional chute.

He advised that before an experienced jumper would jump, particularly at night, he would want to have about five miles of visibility and at least broken clouds at five or ten thousand feet. He could pre-determine the above by checking with Flight Service Station, FAA 282-7293. He believes that unknown subject would jump near some populated area, which he could determine from lights. He believes that because of the overcast and mountainous condition between Seattle and Cottage Grove, Oregon he would have considered jumping in the Medford - Ashland, Oregon area, the Red Bluff, California area, or where the plane made the left turn to Reno.

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[ ] believed the unknown subject would have had no freezing problem jumping at 10,000 feet. He believes he would have a "free fall" to 5,000 feet and the rate of descent with the chute open would have been 1,000 feet per minute.

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[ ] knew of no trip made by a group of skydivers where a Boeing 727 was used in a skydiving exercise in the Southwest.

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[ ] said that in his opinion a skydiver from the Northwest area would probably not expose himself as he may be recognized and he feels that the unknown subject probably came from the Southwest area.



PD 164-41

JMW:kdd

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [REDACTED]:

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AT PORTLAND, OREGON

On December 3, 1971, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], was  
contacted and supplied the following pertinent information:

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[REDACTED] advised that she had known [REDACTED]  
for a period of about [REDACTED], and during that period  
of time, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]. She advised that she knew [REDACTED] to  
[REDACTED]. She advised that to her knowledge,  
[REDACTED] had never spoken of any knowledge of parachuting  
or sky diving.

[REDACTED] described [REDACTED] as approximately 6' tall,  
175 pounds, slender build, and wears dark rimmed glasses.

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[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] is presently employed  
[REDACTED]

On December 3, 1971, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Portland, was contacted and advised that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] and on the day in question, Wednesday,  
November 24, 1971, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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JMW:kdd

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SAs [ ] and [ ]:

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AT PORTLAND, OREGON

On November 29, 1971, [ ]  
G.D. Dennis and Sons, Incorporated, 7355 S.E. Johnson Creek  
Boulevard, was contacted and advised that HENRY ROBERT ROWELL  
has been employed for Dennis and Sons as a handyman for  
several years and has always performed his work in an  
acceptable manner. He advised that on Wednesday, November 24,  
1971, ROWELL had worked from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. as  
attested to by his time cards. During that period of time, he  
was under supervision and had maintained contact with his  
base headquarters by radio.

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[ ] described ROWELL as follows:

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Height	5'10"
Weight	190 pounds
Hair	Light sandy (receding)
Date of birth	December 12, 1936
Social Security #	536-32-4169

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] on December 1, 1971:

AT PORTLAND, OREGON

[redacted], Portland,  
Oregon, advised that on November 24, 1971, he was working  
at the [redacted] in Portland [redacted]

He further advised that he [redacted]

[redacted] none of whom fit the description of the unknown  
subject.

[redacted] furnished the following description of  
himself:

Date of birth	[redacted]
Height	6'1"
Weight	175 pounds
Hair	Black
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Medium

It should be noted that [redacted] does not  
meet the facial criteria of composite of the unknown  
hijacker.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [REDACTED] on November 30, 1971:

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AT PORTLAND, OREGON

[REDACTED] Portland,  
Oregon, advised that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], November 23, 1971, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] further advised that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] a 1965 Chevrolet pickup, Oregon license [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]. He was wearing brown pants with a wool sweater and  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] has not talked to [REDACTED]  
departure on November 23, 1971, but received a telephone  
call from a doctor at [REDACTED] who stated  
[REDACTED]

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The doctor, name unknown, stated [REDACTED] was picked up by  
Federal Agents when he tried to enter a roped off area at  
a hospital that was being dedicated by MAMIE EISENHOWER on  
November [REDACTED], 1971.

[REDACTED] furnished the following description of  
[REDACTED]:

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Date of birth  
Height  
Weight  
Hair

[REDACTED]  
6'1"  
160 pounds  
Dark, medium cut, receding,  
hairline, no sideburns

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Dress  
Employment

Neat, wears narrow ties

[REDACTED]

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Remarks  
Education

Portland, Oregon

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 2, 1971

[redacted] Northwest Airlines,  
residence [redacted], Portland, Oregon, telephone  
[redacted] was contacted at his place of employment and pro-  
vided the following information:

[redacted] was shown photographs of white male individuals,  
listed below, one of whom may be the individual who hijacked  
a Northwest Airlines Boeing 727 on November 24, 1971. [redacted]  
stated he was unable to identify any of the photographs shown  
to him. [redacted] advised the only photograph shown which may  
resemble the person responsible for the hijacking was that  
of photograph number one. He stated some of the facial charac-  
teristics were similar but that it was definitely not the  
man.

LYNSE could furnish no other information:

Photographs shown were:

1. [redacted]
2. [redacted]
3. Unknown male, [redacted]  
[redacted] March 16, 1957
4. [redacted]
5. [redacted]
6. Unknown male, [redacted]  
[redacted] July 10, 1962
7. [redacted]
8. [redacted]
9. Unknown male, [redacted]  
[redacted] December 6, 1967
10. [redacted]
11. Unknown male, [redacted]

On 12/2/71 at Portland, Oregon File # PD 164-41 - 253  
by SA [redacted] RPK/gle Date dictated 12/2/71  
SA [redacted] SE 164-81

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted]:

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On November 30, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted], Oregon, advised that the composite  
sketch of the hijacker resembles [redacted] who  
he last saw in the Vancouver, Washington, area [redacted]. He  
was unable to furnish [redacted] address, but he recalled  
that he worked [redacted] located  
between Vancouver and Woodland, Washington.

[redacted] described [redacted] as follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	[redacted] years
Height	5'8" - 5'9"
Weight	185 pounds

DESCRIPTION OFF

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[redacted] [redacted]

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 3, 1971

On December 2, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted], Portland, Oregon, telephone no. [redacted]  
was contacted at his place of employment, Portland  
International Airport, Portland, Oregon, where he is  
employed [redacted] for Northwest Airlines.

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[redacted] was shown photographs, listed below,  
of white male individuals, one of which could possibly  
be that of an unknown person who hijacked a Northwest  
Boeing 727, November 24, 1971. [redacted] advised he could  
not identify any of the individuals in their photographs.

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Photographs shown were those of:

1. [redacted]
2. [redacted]
3. JOHN GORDON HASKINS
4. [redacted]
5. [redacted]
6. JAMES HENRY ZIMMERMAN

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On 12/2/71 at Portland, Oregon File # SE 164-81  
PD 164-41-255  
by SA [redacted] *CPK* jmp Date dictated 12/2/71

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 3, 1971

On December 2, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted] Portland, Oregon, telephone no. [redacted], was  
contacted at his place of employment, Portland International  
Airport, Portland, Oregon, where he is employed [redacted]  
[redacted] for Northwest Airlines.

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b7C

[redacted] was shown photographs, listed below,  
of white male individuals, one of which may be that of  
an unknown person who hijacked a Northwest Boeing 727,  
November 24, 1971.

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[redacted] stated he was unable to make a positive  
identification of any of the photographs shown to him.  
He did state, the individual in photograph no. two had  
similar facial characteristics as that of the person  
responsible for the hijacking. He added [redacted]  
[redacted] were very much like that of the person he remembers  
as being the hijacker.

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Photographs shown were those of:

1. [redacted]
2. [redacted]
3. JOHN GORDON HASKINS
4. [redacted]
5. [redacted]
6. JAMES HENRY ZIMMERMAN

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On 12/2/71 at Portland, Oregon File # SE 164-81  
PD 164-41-256  
by SA [redacted] jmp Date dictated 12/2/71

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
(ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Enclosed for Bureau is one letter for examination from D. B. COOPER, postmarked 12/3/71.

REQUEST OF BUREAU

The FBI Laboratory is requested to conduct fingerprint examination of the envelope and the letter and compare with other latent fingerprints of unknown subject. Elimination prints have not been obtained from those individuals handling the documents, but if such prints would be of any value, Portland will obtain same upon request of FBI Laboratory.

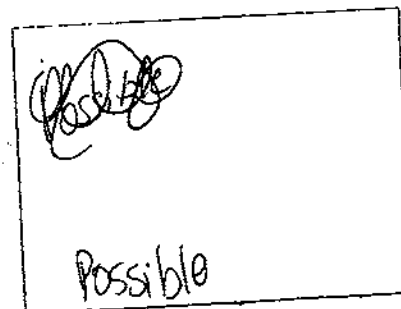
Bureau requested return letter and envelope to Portland when examination has been completed.

3 - Bureau (Enc. 1) (AM-RM)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Suspect!  
Witness!

CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

Re [REDACTED]

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On 12/5/71, at 6:11 p.m., [REDACTED]  
Residence [REDACTED], Portland, Oregon, tele-  
phone number [REDACTED] (business telephone)

[REDACTED]  
SA [REDACTED], telephonically furnished SA [REDACTED] the  
following information concerning a [REDACTED], whom  
[REDACTED] stated bears a resemblance to the composite  
artist sketch of the person who hijacked Northwest Airlines  
Boeing 727 out of Seattle, Washington, on 11/24/71:

[REDACTED] requested that in checking out [REDACTED],  
the person contacted not be advised that [REDACTED] furnished  
the information.

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[REDACTED] was acquainted with a [REDACTED], white,  
male, American, [REDACTED] years of age, 5'10" to 6', 170 pounds,  
[REDACTED] who was last known to be residing in the  
Medford, Oregon, area where he was last known [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
was formerly employed by [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] in Medford, knows [REDACTED] well and would be able to pro-  
vide detailed information concerning him. [REDACTED] became

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12/7/71 2:59 PM  
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acquainted with [ ] while [ ] was employed at the  
[ ]  
[ ] stated that [ ] used to live  
in the Medford, Oregon, area, reportedly [ ]  
[ ]  
[ ] in the Medford area and  
was also familiar with the Amboy, Washington, area where he  
[ ]

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LEADS

PORTLAND

AT MEDFORD, OREGON. Will conduct appropriate  
investigation to determine if [ ] could be sub-  
ject of captioned matter.

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Due to the [ ], no  
identifiable information was located in the Portland  
indices, although there are numerous references.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)

UNSUB, aka  
Dan Cooper  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re Portland teletype to Seattle, 12/6/71, and  
Seattle teletype to Portland, 12/3/71.


On 12/6/71, [REDACTED] Federal Aviation  
Administration, Security Division, Portland International  
Airport, Portland, Oregon, provided the enclosed copy of  
subject's ticket stub.

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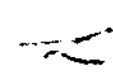
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2 - Portland

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11:33AM URGENT 12/6/71 VAB

TO PORTLAND

FROM SEATTLE (164-61)

SUSPECT:

[REDACTED]

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*No PD LEADS*

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE, CAA -  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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INFORMATION RECEIVED BY SEATTLE THAT COMPOSITE DRAWING OF UN-  
SUB RESEMBLES [REDACTED] WHO IS BELIEVED TO BE RESIDING IN  
THE PORTLAND OREGON, AREA AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] REPORTEDLY WORKED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HE IS DESCRIBED AS  
WHITE MALE, AMERICAN, BORN [REDACTED]

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PORTLAND AT PORTLAND, DEVELOP BACKGROUND INFORMATION CONCERNING  
[REDACTED] AND ATTEMPT TO LOCATE PHOTOGRAPH AND ASCERTAIN WHEREABOUTS  
AT TIME OF CAPTIONED HIJACKING.

END

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

2 PAGES

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

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[REDACTED] WASHINGTON, ADVISED HE WAS INTERVIEWED BY TWO FBI AGENTS

FROM LONG VIEW

ON NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE, AND SHOWN A NUMBER OF "MUG SHOTS". HE NOW BELIEVES THAT "MUG SHOT" IN UPPER LEFT HAND CORNER OF THOSE SHOWN TO HIM MIGHT BE IDENTICAL TO ONE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] HE DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS ABOUT FIVE

FEET TEN OR ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE POUNDS, DARK ,  
AND IN HIS [REDACTED].

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① - Portland

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(1) [REDACTED]

Approved: [REDACTED]

Special Agent in Charge

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[ ] DESIRES TO SEE SAME "MUG SHOT" AGAIN.

SEATTLE AT SEATTLE. ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE WHAT PHOTOGRAPHS WERE SHOWN TO [ ] IN ORDER THAT SAME PHOTOGRAPH CAN BE FORWARDED TO PORTLAND DIVISION TO RE SHOW TO HIM.

WILL, IN EVENT ANY OF PHOTOGRAPHS SHOWN TO HIM ARE POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH [ ], SET OUT LEADS TO IDENTIFY OR ELIMINATE [ ] AS SUSPECT.

PORTLAND AT [ ] MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH [ ] -P-

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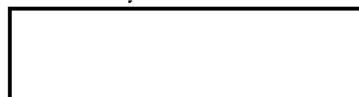


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1130PM NITEL 12/6/71 DJC

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

*Suspect*



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PORTLAND

SAN FRANCISCO


FROM: ALBUQUERQUE (149-131) IP

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. SEATTLE ORIGIN.



RE LITTLE ROCK TELETYPE TO ALBUQUERQUE, DEC. THREE, LAST.

RE: SUSPECT 

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INVESTIGATION ALBUQUERQUE THROUGH CREDIT BUREAU, DIRECTORIES,  
POLICE DEPARTMENT, PARACHUTE CLUBS NEGATIVE RE 

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b7C

SAN FRANCISCO AND PORTLAND ADVISE ALBUQUERQUE IF  LOCATED  
OR IF FURTHER BACKGROUND AVAILABLE.  *Not Located in*

*PTLD TERRITORY*  
*Wink*

UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

END

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TO: LITTLE ROCK (164-22)

Y SEATTLE

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 1 PAGE

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, ETC., CAA -  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO:SEATTLE.

RE TELETYPE FROM LITTLE ROCK TO SEATTLE AND OTHER OFFICES,  
DECEMBER THREE, SEVENTYONE.

SUSPECT           b6  
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DEPUTY           , MARION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, SALEM,  
OREGON, CHECKED CURRENT DIRECTORIES COVERING AURORA, OREGON; AND  
RECORDS OF HIS OFFICE, FOR            WITH NO RESULTS. RECORDS AT  
OREGON STATE POLICE ARE NEGATIVE FOR                                 , SALEM,  
OREGON, CREDIT BUREAU, CAN LOCATE NO RECORD FOR           .

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AM COPY SEATTLE.

  
1. PortlandNBB:krv  
(2) *ms*

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Approved:                       
Special Agent in ChargeSent            M Per           2<sup>25</sup> P - LR  
2<sup>30</sup> P - SE

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URGENT  
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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

MINNEAPOLIS

TICKET STUBS

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)(P) (1P)

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER THREE  
ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN  
SEVENTYONE; CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE; BUFILE ONE  
SIX FOUR - TWO ONE ONE ONE.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO PORTLAND DATED DECEMBER THREE,  
SEVENTYONE.

[REDACTED], NORTHWEST AIRLINES, PORTLAND,  
OREGON, ADVISED ON DECEMBER SIX, SEVENTYONE, THAT SUBJECT'S TICKET  
STUB RETAINED BY NORTHWEST AIRLINES HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES HEADQUARTERS, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA.

COPY OF SUBJECT'S TICKET STUB BEING FORWARDED TO SEATTLE.

~~ARMED AND DANGEROUS~~

MINNEAPOLIS REQUESTED TO OBTAIN TICKET STUB AND FORWARD TO  
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

1 - Portland

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Agent in Charge

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NR 013 SF PLAIN

5:30 PM URGENT 12/6/71 MCC

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

PORTLAND (164-41)

SACRAMENTO

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) 2P

WITNESS: [REDACTED]

*No File LEADS*

UNSUB AKA, DAN COOPER; HIJACKING OF N.W. AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO SEATTLE, BUFILE: ONE SIX FOUR - TWO ONE ONE ONE.

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SAN FRANCISCO, DECEMBER TWO LAST, AND SAN FRANCISCO TELEPHONE CALL TO SACRAMENTO THIS DATE.

*INDEX* REFERENCED PORTLAND TELETYPE ADVISES THAT ON DECEMBER TWO LAST [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], ADVISES THAT APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED] DAYS AGO HE SAT WITH STRANGER IN CROWDED CAFE IN [REDACTED]. STATES THIS MAN IS QUOTE DEAD RINGER END QUOTE FOR PUBLISHED COMPOSITE CONCEPTION AND DESCRIPTION OF UNSUB. [REDACTED] AND DURING LUNCHEON CONVERSATION STRANGER STATED HE IS NAVAL RESERVE PERSONNEL OFFICER WHO HAD BEEN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NOT BE DIFFICULT TO IDENTIFY SUSPECT FROM ABOVE INFORMATION.

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[REDACTED],  
[REDACTED], TREASURE ISLAND, CALIFORNIA, ADVISES  
THAT THE SAMAR DIVISION OF THE NAVY RESERVIE IS THE SHIP'S  
ACTIVATION MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR AND CONSISTS OF FOUR UNITS  
WHICH ARE IN ALAMEDA, TREASUE ISLAND, HUNTERS POINT AND VALLEJO.  
STATES THERE ARE ABOUT ONE HUNDRED FIFTY MEMBERS IN THE FOUR UNITS  
AND THE [REDACTED]  
PHONE [REDACTED] ANDBUSINESS  
TELEPPHONE [REDACTED]

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SACRAMENTO AT VALLEJO, CALIFORNIA: WILL CONTACT [REDACTED]  
IN EFFORT TO IDENTIFY SUSPECT AND RESOLVE. SAN FRANCISCO IS  
CONTACTING [REDACTED] UNITS IN THIS DIVISION.  
END

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(Priority)TO: SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1 PAGEUNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, ETC., CAA -  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

SUMMARY TELETYPE.

LOOK -ALIKE LEADS ARE BEING RECEIVED FROM PUBLIC AND ARE  
BEING COVERED. NO POSITIVE INFORMATION DEVELOPED TO DATE. (P)

(1 - PORTLAND

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Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in ChargeSent 5 20/p M Per [Signature]

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NR 007 LA PLAIN

548 PM NITEL 12-06-71 LRS

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

KANSAS CITY

PORTLAND (164-41)

SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 2P

NO P+LD LEADS

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, LAST, CAA DASH HIGHJACKING;  
EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TELEPHONE CALL TO LOS ANGELES DECEMBER FIVE  
LAST; LOS ANGELES TELEPHONE CALL TO PORTLAND DECEMBER FIVE LAST;  
SAN FRANCISCO AND PORTLAND TELETYPES TO LOS ANGELES DECEMBER  
FIVE LAST.

RE SUSPECTS, [REDACTED]

LOS ANGELES INDICES CONTAIN NO RECORD IDENTIFIABLE WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IS SUBJECT OF LOS ANGELES FILE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IS MALE, NEGRO, BORN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], FBI NUMBER

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[REDACTED]

DISCREET INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED DECEMBER FIVE, LAST,  
IN VICINITY [REDACTED]. NO  
ADDRESS OF [REDACTED] COULD BE LOCATED AS  
SET FORTH IN REFERENCED PORTLAND TELETYPE.

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TWO VEHICLES OBSERVED IN VICINITY OF [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]. RECORDS CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR  
VEHICLES CHECKED AND OWNERS NOT IDENTIFIABLE WITH ANY OF  
CAPTIONED SUSPECTS.

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LOS ANGELES AT SUN VALLEY: WILL THROUGH UNITED STATES  
POST OFFICE, ASCERTAIN IF ADDRESS OF [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] EXISTS AND WILL DETERMINE IF INDIVIDUAL NAMED [REDACTED]  
HAS RECEIVED MAIL ON [REDACTED], SUN VALLEY.

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TO PORTLAND (164-41) WITNESS: [REDACTED]

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SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 3P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE,  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OFFICE OF ORIGIN: SEATTLE

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER TWO LAST.

REFERENCED TELETYPE REFLECTS INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] BY PORTLAND WITH REQUEST FOR LOS ANGELES TO CONDUCT  
INQUIRY AT GLENDALE-BURBANK, CALIFORNIA, TO IDENTIFY PERSON  
CLOSELY RESEMBLING UNSUB.

ON DECEMBER THREE LAST [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
GLENDALE, COULD NOT RECALL [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. EMPLOYMENT RECORDS AT ABOVE COMPANY DATING  
BACK TO [REDACTED] REVIEWED AND NO RECORD OF

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*Re-interview*

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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EMPLOYMENT COULD BE LOCATED FOR [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] IN GLENDALE-  
BURBANK AREA. ARTIST CONCEPTION OF UNSUB EXHIBITED TO  
[REDACTED]. HE DOES NOT KNOW OF ANYONE FITTING DESCRIPTION  
OF PHOTO CONCEPTION OF UNSUB IN [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] GLENDALE-BURBANK AREA.

[REDACTED] EXPLAINED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] HAS NO INFORMATION TO FURNISH REGARDING [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED].

THE LOCATION OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], GLENDALE, IS BUSINESS  
[REDACTED]. INQUIRY DETERMINED  
THIS FIRM HAS BEEN AT SAME LOCATION [REDACTED].  
THIS LOCATION IS APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] GLENDALE-BURBANK AREA. ATTEMPT TO

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LOCATE [REDACTED] WAS MADE WITHOUT  
SUCCESS. PUBLIC SOURCE DATA ALSO FAILED TO LIST ANY  
INFORMATION REGARDING FIRMS KNOWN AS [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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LEAD:

PORTLAND

AT PORTLAND, OREGON: PORTLAND IS REQUESTED TO  
RE-INTERVIEW [REDACTED]  
PORTLAND, FOR ADDITIONAL SPECIFIC INFORMATION REGARDING  
HIS RECOLLECTION OF PERSON RESEMBLING UNSUB.

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LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: WILL CONDUCT NO FURTHER  
INQUIRY IN THIS PHASE UNTIL ADDITIONAL FACTS RECEIVED FROM  
PORTLAND.

END

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(Priority)TO: NEW YORK (164-627) & **SEATTLE**  
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1 PAGE

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE NEW YORK TELETYPE ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~, DECEMBER THREE, SEVENTY ONE.  
SUSPECT ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~.ON DECEMBER SIX, SEVENTY ONE, MVR RECORDS, SALEM, OREGON, DESCRIBED ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ AS FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY POUNDS, AND DATE OF BIRTH ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~.SINCE ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ HEIGHT IS ONLY FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES, NO FURTHER ACTION BEING TAKEN AT PORTLAND, OREGON. - P -

AM COPY TO SEATTLE, SEATTLE FILE ONE SIX FOUR DASH EIGHT ONE.

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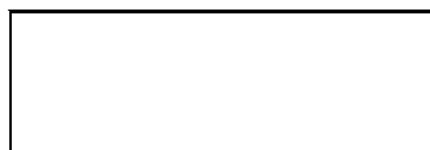
TO SEATTLE (164-81)

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PORTLAND (164-41)

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LITTLE (164-22)

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FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) 1P

UNSUB, AKA - DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION OO: SE

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RE SUSPECT

[REDACTED] - INDEX

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CALIF.. IN [REDACTED] ADDRESS AT THAT TIME [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], OREGON. DOB

[REDACTED], FIVE FT. NINE IN., ONE FIVE ZERO LBS.,

PD ATTEMPT LOCATE [REDACTED] THROUGH ABOVE ADDRESS.

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TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM PORTLAND (164-41) \_\_P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER  
TWO FOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO SEATTLE.

ON DECEMBER SIX, SEVENTY ONE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OREGON, STATED [REDACTED]

RESEMBLES ARTISTS DRAWING OF SUBJECT. [REDACTED] RESIDENCE

ADDRESS IN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, SIX FEET, TWO HUNDRED TO  
TWO HUNDRED TEN POUNDS, [REDACTED] YEARS, BROWN HAIR, RESEMBLES  
DRAWING EXCEPT [REDACTED] AND SOFT  
SOFT SPOKEN. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT [REDACTED] OREGON.

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TO PORTLAND 164-41

SEATTLE 164181

FROM LAS VEGAS 164-60 P

Suspect:



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NEGATIVE REPLY FROM LAS VEGAS

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE;  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA-HIJACKING;  
OO: SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TEL, DEC. THREE LAST.

[REDACTED], GREYHOUND  
BUS LINES, RENO, NEVADA, ADVISED SA [REDACTED], ON DEC. THREE  
LAST, THAT HIS RECORDS REFLECT NO INFO CONCERNING BUS PASSENGER  
NAME [REDACTED] STATED A GREYHOUND BUS OPERATING ON  
SCHEDULE NUMBER NINE TWO TWO, ARRIVED IN RENO, NEVADA, FROM  
PHOENIX, ARIZONA, FIVE TEN PM, NOV. TWENTYFIVE, LAST. THIS  
BUS DEPARTED RENO, SIX THIRTY PM, EN ROUTE TO PORTLAND. ARRIVAL  
TIME PORTLAND EIGHT FORTYFIVE AM, NOV. TWENTYSIX LAST. [REDACTED]  
STATED FIFTEEN PASSENGERS BOARDED BUS IN RENO, AND NO PASSENGER  
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LIST AVAILABLE.

[REDACTED], MAPES HOTEL, EAST FIRST  
STREET AND NORTH VIRGINIA, RENO, ADVISED SA [REDACTED] ON DEC. FOUR  
LAST, THAT HE WAS UNABLE TO LOCATE REGISTRATION OR RESERVATION  
RECORD UNDER NAME [REDACTED], DURING NOVEMBER, SEVENTYONE.

RECORDS RENO, PD, CHECKED DEC. THREE LAST, CONTAIN  
NO INFO IDENTIFIABLE WITH [REDACTED].

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [REDACTED]

AT PORTLAND, OREGON

SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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On December 3, 1971, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], telephone number [REDACTED], advised he has known [REDACTED].  
[REDACTED] He advised [REDACTED] worked [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] in Seattle, Washington, in [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He advised he has viewed the sketch of the hijacking suspect and, in his opinion, [REDACTED] is not identical with the hijacker.

On December 3, 1971, [REDACTED] telephone number [REDACTED], advised [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] He advised [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] He said he has viewed the sketch of the hijacking suspect and, in his opinion, [REDACTED] is not identical with the hijacker. He described [REDACTED] as 6'1", receding hair, ruddy complexion, medium build, approximately 165 pounds, blue eyes, very intelligent, [REDACTED]

On December 6, 1971, [REDACTED] telephone number [REDACTED], advised [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] He advised [REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Oregon, and is presently [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] He advised [REDACTED]

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[redacted]. He stated he has viewed the sketch of the hijacking suspect and, in his opinion, he does not believe [redacted] and the hijacker are identical although there is some resemblance. He described [redacted] as being 5'9", 145-160 pounds, medium build, approximately [redacted] years of age, blue or hazel eyes.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (164-41)

DATE: 12-6-71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUSPECT: [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11-24-71;  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION,  
OO: SEATTLE

WITNESS: [REDACTED]

On 12-6-71, [REDACTED] who said he lives at [REDACTED], Oregon, [REDACTED] called this office and said he knew a man who is a "dead-ringer" of the picture of the hijacker in this case, and that he feels certain this man was involved. [REDACTED] who said his actual address is [REDACTED], tel. [REDACTED], identified the man as [REDACTED].

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[REDACTED] described [REDACTED] as about 6'1"-1½" tall, 175 pounds and [REDACTED]. He had difficulty in explaining anything else that made him suspect [REDACTED] but kept asking that an Agent be sent to contact him, and he would explain everything then. He commented that he suspected that [REDACTED] might have [REDACTED], but he seemed to have little to base that statement on.

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[REDACTED] said further that he did not know [REDACTED] present address, but that he had the telephone number of [REDACTED]. He gave the number as [REDACTED]. He did not know [REDACTED] address, but for some reason, which he did not explain, he had her telephone number. It might be noted that the current Portland telephone directory lists [REDACTED] at [REDACTED], Portland, and with the above number, [REDACTED].

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Portland indices are negative concerning [REDACTED]. There are a number of [REDACTED] in the indices, but none identifiable with above individual. It might be noted that [REDACTED] - on a [REDACTED].

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM :

SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT:

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER,  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle, 11/24/71,  
CAA - Hijacking; Extortion  
OO: Seattle

SUSPECT:

WITNESS:

ELIMINATED

INVEST 12/16/71

On 12/6/71, [REDACTED]

Fred Meyer,

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[REDACTED] Telephone [REDACTED], advised that an individual by name of [REDACTED] 6' 2" 611#, [REDACTED], answering general description of hijacker was in drug department of Fred Meyer on 12/5/71 and ordered prescriptions. [REDACTED] stated he called a Doctor [REDACTED] Hermiston, [REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED] regarding [REDACTED] and the prescription he needed, which consisted of [REDACTED] checked out with Dr. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] re-appeared at FRED MEYER to pick up his prescription. He was accompanied by another person, also in his [REDACTED] stated to [REDACTED] that he had lived in HERMISTON but was now living in Portland, Oregon and currently residing with [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] continued that another employee, [REDACTED] also observed [REDACTED] and also made comment that he resembled the hijacker. [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] could be reached at his residence, [REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED] in Portland, Oregon. [REDACTED] was unable to provide any address or phone number for [REDACTED], but stated he believed she [REDACTED] and could be reached at FRED MEYER.

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## LEAD PORTLAND AT PORTLAND, OREGON

Will recontact [REDACTED] and exhibit composite of hijacker for identification. Will thereafter conduct appropriate investigation to locate [REDACTED] in connection with this matter.

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FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING. OO SE.

CHIEF OF POLICE JAMES OVERHULSE, EASTSIDE, OREGON, ON DECEMBER SIX SEVENTYONE ADVISED THE BOTTOM HALF OF ARTIST'S SKETCH OF SUBJECT IS SIMILAR TO ONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WENATCHEE, WASHINGTON.

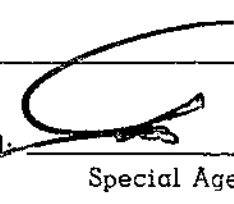
OVERHULSE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. HE DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS THIRTYTWO TO THIRTYTHREE YEARS, FIVE FEET NINE INCHES, ONE SEVEN FIVE POUNDS, DARK BROWN HAIR.

SEATTLE, AT WENATCHEE. ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] DURING PERTINENT PERIOD ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. P.

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TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

Suspect

SUBJECT: AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE

ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST,

RE:  INDEX

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER SIX LAST.

INASMUCH AS SOME WITNESSES ONLY SAW UNSUB SEATED ON

AIRCRAFT, IT IS NOT FELT THAT THE MERE FACT THAT A SUSPECT IS

ONLY FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES TALL, IS SUFFICIENT BASIS TO

ELIMINATE HIM.

PORTLAND IS REQUESTED TO INTERVIEW HANDY CONCERNING

ARTICLE HE SUBMITTED TO NEW YORK. (P)

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FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA-  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

ON DECEMBER SIX, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE, SA EDWARD J. ANDERSON  
RECEIVED TELEPHONE CALL FROM [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] HOME ADDRESS [REDACTED]  
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, TELEPHONE [REDACTED], SUGGESTED  
THAT UNSUB. MAY HAVE PURCHASED FLIGHT INSURANCE FROM MACHINES OR  
COUNTERS AT PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. [REDACTED] RECOMMENDED  
THAT NAMES ON POLICIES PURCHASED ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE,  
BE CROSS CHECKED WITH MANIFEST OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE  
ZERO FIVE.

PORTLAND. AT PORTLAND, OREGON. CONTACT APPROPRIATE CONTROLLING  
AGENCY FOR FLIGHT INSURANCE AT PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT  
IN ORDER TO OBTAIN LISTING OF POLICIES PURCHASED NOVEMBER TWENTY-  
FOUR, LAST. DETERMINE, IF FEASIBLE, TO ELIMINATE NAMES ON POLICIES  
OF OTHER FLIGHTS THAT DATE AND THEREBY PLACE TRUE NAME OF UNSUB  
TO MANIFEST ON NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE.

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[REDACTED]  
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TO: PORTLAND AND SAN FRANCISCO

FROM: DENVER (164-98)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER  
TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA-HIJACKING. OO: SEATTLE (164-181)

RE BUTTE TEL TO SEATTLE, SAN FRANCISCO AND DENVER DECEMBER SIX.

RE SUSPECT (FNU) [REDACTED]

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FOR INFORMATION PORTLAND, BUTTE DEVELOPED INFO THAT DRIVER OF  
VEHICLE BEARING ARIZONA LICENSE [REDACTED] WAS  
HEARD ON DECEMBER TWO LAST MAKE REFERENCE TO [REDACTED] AS PERSON  
WHO POSSIBLY COMMITTED CAPTIONED CRIME.

INVESTIGATION REVEALED VEHICLE REGISTERED TO [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], WHO WAS CONTACTED DELTA, COLO. AND ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:

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STATED HE WAS [REDACTED] UNTIL DAY AFTER

THANKSGIVING, THEN [REDACTED]

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CAMPBELL.

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STATED RECALLED ALSO MENTIONING IN JOKING MANNER TO

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INTERVIEW.

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[REDACTED] STATED HE HAD NOT SEEN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS WHITE MALE AMERICAN, TWENTIES OR EARLY THIRTIES, SIX FEET ONE INCH TALL, ONE EIGHTY TO TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, MEDIUM BUILD. STATED ARTIST'S CONCEPTION DID NOT LOOK LIKE ANYONE KNOWN TO HIM.

SAID HAD SEEN IN MISSOULA MONTANA TIMES THAT HIJACKER HAD WRITTEN A LETTER FROM OAKDALE, CALIFORNIA, TO A RENO, NEVADA, PAPER IN WHICH SAID "LANDED OKAY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR HOSPITALITY". THIS MADE HIM THINK OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DENIED AND FURTHER

KNOWLEDGE AND STATED HE HIMSELF KNEW NOTHING [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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DURING INTERVIEW [REDACTED] SEEMED TO BE VERY CONFUSED  
AND UNABLE TO FURNISH DATES OR SPECIFICS OF ANY OF HIS ACTIVITIES.  
IT IS NOTED HE DOES NOT RESEMBLE ARTIST CONCEPTION IN ANY WAY.

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PORTLAND WILL THROUGH GREYHOUND BUS COMPANY FURTHER  
IDENTIFY [REDACTED] NOVEMBER  
TWENTYFOUR-TWENTYFIVE LAST, AND IF POSSIBLE SUSPECT THIS  
MATTER.

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PORTLAND NOTE SAN FRANCISCO HAS LEAD IN RETEL TO IDENTIFY

[REDACTED] .

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AIR MAIL COPY SEATTLE.

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NOTE ON THE FIRST PAGE THE SECOND INFORMATIVE PARAGRAPH,  
THE VEHICLE MENTIONED WAS REGISTERED TO A [REDACTED]  
I WASN'T SURE IF YOU GOT THE NAME BECAUSE OUR MACHINE DID NOT PRINT IT  
OUT PROPERLY GA PLS.

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RED'D IT OK

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TO PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE. CAA  
- HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

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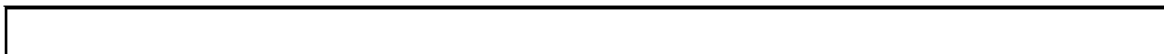
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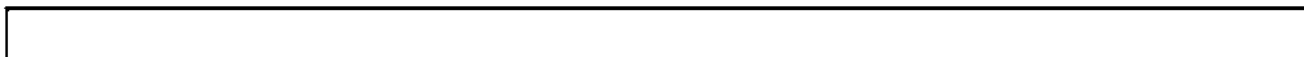
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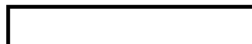
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PORTLAND AT EUGENE, OREGON. WILL INTERVIEW



FOR ANY INFORMATION THEY MAY HAVE

CONCERNING ABOVE MENTIONED INDIVIDUAL. IDENTIFY, IF POSSIBLE,  
AND ADVISE SEATTLE OF DETAILS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS. -P-

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TO: SAC, Sacramento (164-50)

12/6/71

FROM: Director, FBI

UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING  
OO: SEATTLE

Reference is made to Butelcall to Sacramento 12/6/71 and Sacramento teletype 12/3/71 which states that Beale Air Force Base has offered free of charge the use of an SR-71 aircraft to photograph terrain over which captioned flight progressed from Seattle to Reno.

Bureau authority is granted for the Sacramento Office to immediately complete arrangements to accept the offer of the use of this aircraft as described in referenced teletype. Sacramento should afford this phase of this investigation immediate and continuous attention and keep the Bureau and Seattle Office fully advised.

Consider subject dangerous.

- 1 - SAC, Seattle (164-81) (Information)
- ① - SAC, Portland (164-41) (Information)
- 1 - SAC, Las Vegas (164-50) (Information)

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# REPORT of the



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Las Vegas (164-60)

Date: December 7, 1971

Re: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

FBI File No. 164-2111

Lab. No. D-711206032 LL

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D-711203049 LL

Specimens received 12/4/71 from Las Vegas

Q1 Envelope postmarked "OAKDALE, CA NOV 27 PM 1971  
95361," addressed "RENO NEWSPAPER RENO NEV."

Q2 Accompanying piece of paper with cutout words forming  
the message "ATTENTION Thanks for Hospitality was  
IN A RUT D. B. Cooper,"

Specimens received 12/4/71 from Philadelphia

Q3 Envelope postmarked "U. S. POSTAL SERVICE, MN 553 26 NOV  
PM 1971" addressed [redacted]

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Q4 Accompanying one-page handwritten letter dated  
Nov. 25, 1971, beginning [redacted]

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Specimen received 12/2/71 from Sacramento

K1 One copy of the final edition of the 11/26/71 issue  
of the MODESTO BEE

### Result of examination:

Q1 through Q4 were not identified in the  
Anonymous Letter File. Appropriate copies of these  
specimens have been added to this file for future reference.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Las Vegas (164-60)

Date: December 7, 1971

Re: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 164-2111  
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D-711203049 LL

Examination requested by: Las Vegas, Philadelphia,  
Sacramento  
Reference: Airtels 11/30/71, 12/3/71,  
11/30/71

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

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Q1 through Q4 will be returned with the fingerprint  
report.

Sacramento is referred to Las Vegas teletype to the  
Bureau, dated 11/30/71, requesting photographs of Q1 and Q2  
for CII, Sacramento. These photographs are enclosed for  
Sacramento and are to be delivered to [redacted]  
Supervisory Special Agent, CII, for comparison with the  
Zodiac case. The hand printing on Q1 is disguised and nothing  
of significance was noted in the comparison with the questioned  
hand printing in the case "Zodiac; Extortion, OO: Sacramento,"  
Sacramento file 9-68, Bureau file 9-49911. No connection  
could be established by the Laboratory between Q1 and Q2 in  
captioned case and the Zodiac case.

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Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)  
2-Philadelphia (164-133) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)  
2-Sacramento (164-50) Enclosures (5) (Photographs of Q1 and Q2,  
K1, 2 Lab report) DB Cooper-40562  
2-Seattle (164-81) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)  
2-Portland Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report) *mm* 164-41-280  
2-Minneapolis (164-73) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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Date: 12/6/71

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Priority)

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
 FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
 SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper;  
 Northwest Airlines Flight #305.  
 Portland to Seattle  
 11/24/71  
 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
 OO: SEATTLE

*Supp 1*

Re: [REDACTED]

Two white males checked into a motel in a remote area of Cowlitz County, Washington at three a.m. November 26, 1971. The person who registered was [REDACTED], who gave an address of [REDACTED], ~~Portland, Oregon~~ and he stated he and his companion were going [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] departed in the morning on November 26, 1971. [REDACTED] described as White male, who wore [REDACTED] in area of subject's dropzone unexplained.

LEADS

PORTLAND  
At Portland, Oregon

Conduct arrest check regarding [REDACTED], to determine further descriptive information and obtain photograph.

② - Portland  
 2 - Seattle  
 TJM/slb  
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Special Agent in Charge

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DB Cooper-40563

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Date: 12/6/71

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Priority)

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
 FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
 SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper;  
 Northwest Airlines Flight #305, *SUSPECT* [redacted]  
 Portland to Seattle.  
 11/24/71  
 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
 OO: SEATTLE

Re: Subject [redacted]

Re: Portland tel to Seattle, 11/29/71.

Re: Conversation of Chief of Police JOE MAY at  
 Woodland [redacted] with [redacted] MAY. on recontact,  
 advised [redacted] and never  
 at [redacted] leaves the house in the daytime. He is about [redacted] and needs the  
 physical description of the UNSUB. No further information  
 available from Chief MAY.

It has been suggested in investigations in the Seattle  
 Division that Portland check airfield or jump area in the vicinity  
 of Aurora, Oregon as possible place at which information concern-  
 ing UNSUB may be secured.

*LEAD*  
 [redacted]  
 Oregon City, Oregon, telephone [redacted], reported to possibly  
 have information on suspects, in view of his past activities.

LEADS

PORTLAND  
 At Portland, Oregon

1. Recontact [redacted] Portland,  
 for further information regarding [redacted]

② - Portland  
 2 - Seattle  
 TJM/slb (4)

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Special Agent in Charge

Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M

DB Cooper-40564 [redacted] *M*

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2. Check jump area at airport's vicinity, Aurora,  
Oregon.

3. Contact   
Oregon City, for information on suspects in captioned matter.

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Date: 12/6/71

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Priority)

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper;  
Northwest Airlines Flight #305,  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re: Sub. UNSUB (Sub. \_\_\_\_\_)

Information developed in the Seattle Division that a

Portland, telephone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, particularly, the \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, stated that he knows a lookalike for  
the composite photograph. He did not give the name of the sub-  
ject who he feels is a lookalike and visits \_\_\_\_\_

He also remarked that this subject

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PORTLAND

At Portland, Oregon

Through contact at \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, locate \_\_\_\_\_ mentioned above. Secure  
name of his suspect and conduct appropriate investigation to  
identify.

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2 - Seattle  
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Special Agent in Charge

DB Cooper-40566

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 2, 1971

[redacted], Portland, Oregon, telephone [redacted], was contacted and provided the following information:

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[redacted] was shown photographs of white male individuals, listed below, one of whom might be the individual who hijacked Northwest Airlines Boeing 727 on November 24, 1971. [redacted] stated he could not positively identify any of the individuals in the photographs. He did state, however, that [redacted] in photograph number one, [redacted] in photograph number three, and [redacted] in photograph number five resembled that of the hijacker. [redacted] further stated that he could furnish no other distinguishing characteristics in any of the other photographs shown to him, which may aid in the identification of the unknown hijacker.

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## Photographs shown were:

1. [redacted]
2. [redacted]
3. Unknown male, [redacted] March 16, 1957
4. [redacted]
5. [redacted]
6. Unknown male, [redacted] July 10, 1962
7. [redacted]
8. [redacted]
9. Unknown male, [redacted] December 6, 1967
10. [redacted]
11. Unknown male, [redacted]

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On 12/2/71 at Portland, Oregon File # PD 164-41 -284  
SA [redacted] SE 164-81  
 by SA [redacted] RPK/gle Date dictated 12/2/71

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 9, 1971

[redacted] Northwest Airlines, was contacted at his residence at [redacted], Portland, Oregon. He was shown various photographs, listed below, of white male individuals, one of whom could be that of a person responsible for hijacking a Northwest Airlines Boeing 727 on November 24, 1971.

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[redacted] advised he was unable to positively identify any of the photographs shown as that of the person responsible for the hijacking. He did state, however, that the [redacted] the individual in photograph number one was similar to that of the hijacker, as he remembers.

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## Photographs shown were those of:

1. JAMES DE WITT RANKIN LOCAL LEAD
2. [redacted] SE ADVISED [redacted]
3. FLOYD J. SNIDER LOCAL LEAD

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On 12/8/71 at Portland, Oregon File # PD 164-41 - 284A  
SE 164-81  
 by SA [redacted] gle Date dictated 12/8/71

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PD 164-41

JJS:jmp

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[REDACTED]

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [REDACTED]

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AT PORTLAND, OREGON

On November 29, 1971, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED] advised that  
[REDACTED] was presently at work and  
was expected to be home [REDACTED]. She stated  
that [REDACTED] is employed [REDACTED] and has  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] She stated that the composite sketch of  
the Unknown Subject is not identifiable with [REDACTED]

On November 30, 1971, [REDACTED], Portland  
Police Department, advised that her files contain no  
record identifiable with [REDACTED]

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On November 30, 1971, [REDACTED], Multnomah  
County Sheriff's Office, advised that his files contain  
no record identifiable with [REDACTED]

On December 1, 1971, [REDACTED], Credit  
Bureau Metro, advised that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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On December 3, 1971, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED] advised that on  
[REDACTED]

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Charged

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Employee

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RECHARGE

Date \_\_\_\_\_

To \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_

Initials of  
Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date charged

Employee

Location

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PD 164-41

RPK:tam

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SUSPECT

ELIMINATED

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The following investigation was conducted  
by SA [REDACTED]

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AT AURORA, OREGON

On December 3, 1971, [REDACTED]  
Pacific Parachute Center, Route 1, Box 215A, Aurora,  
advised at one time [REDACTED]

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It was reported [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] stated he was unable to recall  
[REDACTED] address, but did state [REDACTED]

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A review of the Portland telephone book revealed  
an address of [REDACTED], Oregon, telephone  
number [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] concluded by saying [REDACTED] could  
not possibly be the person responsible for the hijacking.  
he is about five feet nine inches and weighs about  
220 pounds.

By teletype, November 30, 1971, the Seattle  
Division of the FBI advised [REDACTED] could be eliminated

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[REDACTED] RPK

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PD 164-41

RPK:tam

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as unknown individual who hijacked a Northwest Airlines,  
Boeing 727, November 24, 1971.

PD 164-41

TJD:kdd

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ELIMINATED

Re: [REDACTED]

SUSPECT

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA THOMAS J. DUGAN:

[REDACTED], Olson-Gladstone  
Drugstore, 1200 Portland Avenue, Gladstone, Oregon, on  
December 2, 1971 made available [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
telephone [REDACTED]. There was no additional identifying  
information concerning [REDACTED].

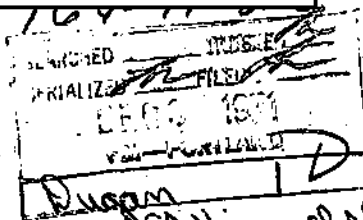
A check of the telephone directory and city  
directory confirmed the fact that one [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Oregon. He resides at  
[REDACTED] and was listed [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]. Information received from Department  
of Motor Vehicles on December 2, 1971 showed [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] was issued  
driver's license [REDACTED]. He was described as 5'10",  
138 pounds, born [REDACTED].

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[REDACTED] Clackamas  
County Intermediate Education District #168, Warner-Milne  
Road, Oregon City, Oregon, on December 6, 1971, advised  
that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], Oregon City.  
He also advised that he had ascertained through [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
that [REDACTED] does somewhat resemble the sketch  
of the unknown subject. However, [REDACTED] has [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] and is around 140 pounds. In the way of background,  
[REDACTED] mentioned that [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (164-41)

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines, flight 305,  
Portland to Seattle 11/24/71;  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

OO Seattle

[REDACTED]  
residence [REDACTED], Portland, phone [REDACTED]  
advised telephonically as follows:

[REDACTED]. He slightly recalls  
the face of a person who previously [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Oregon.  
He cannot recall the man's name but described him as white male,  
6 feet, thin, [REDACTED] years, possibly [REDACTED] years, sallow  
complexion. [REDACTED] *HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED  
NO ACTION, 12/3*

Also, [REDACTED]  
advised that he had in [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Oregon, whose name is  
recalled as being [REDACTED] for a similar name. He was  
a white, male, 6 feet, slender, short dark wavy hair and was  
then about [REDACTED] years of age. From rather long term recollection  
he felt that this person's facial characteristics resembled  
those of the artist's picture of the hijacker.

LEAD TO [REDACTED]

RE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MEMO 12/27/71

EWT:ewt



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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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INSTRUCTION OF FIELD  
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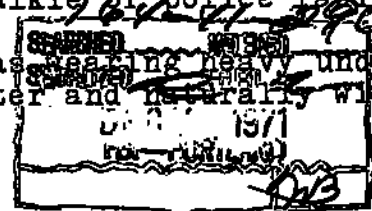
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Los Angeles, California  
December, 5, 1971.

F. 3. I.  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Friends:

I see nobody has found out what happened to the airplane hijacker yet. I thot for sure that by Sunday someone would find the parachutes. I have written several letters to you about it and I guess this one will finally be the last. I hope I have been some help in the case. You will have to discount what I wrote about Springfield, Oregon tho I guess. I had the spirit pretty good Saturday nite and it told me more about the case and repeated some of the things it had already told me and you can bet your bottom dollar that you were pretty hot in looking for him at Woodland, but you have to go a little south and cross the Columbia. The spirit told me so many times that he came 'down near a fair' - 'came down over a fair' and even once said he was in a fair that I have pinpointed the Multnomah County fairgrounds or near it as the place. The spirit also said 'he came down over a Mare' This is symbolic- it means an island like the fair area seems to be on because Mare island in San Francisco is the symbolism- so Mare in this case means an island. It also said celery. -to me this also means island, because in Spokane in the twenties when I was there, there were some chinese raising celery in the delta part of a river there not far from town- the southwestern section. Celery would mean then- delta area. I have never been over around that section, but if I did I would look around the Columbia river on the west side and maybe near the north end of Smith lake. Smith lake looks like a horse with his front feet down and a saddle on his back., there are two little horns or saddle horns I call them sticking up on the northern side of the lake. Maybe this is what the spirit meant when it said 'he is in a seater' There is a little inlet there on the north side of the lake. If he made it accross the Columbia and got on the west side then he probably let the chutes go in to the lake and they floated down the river. The spirit seemed to say today Sunday that he had left the area. It is pretty definite with me then that he floated over the fair grounds. Maybe even the race track and came down in the middle of it. There was a word came thru me early last week 'union' and I wondered what it meant and today in looking at the map I found a street or avenue called Union. I think he was on it and either caught a trolley or walked on it. The spirit Saturday nite told me three times that he was a druggier. This means that he was narcotic. It also said he was a collector. I wonder what he collected besides the \$200,000? Maybe he is selling narcotics, also, but there was another aspect of the case- it said he called a [redacted] and I thot it could mean his sweetheart, but at least two times or more it said he called a lawyer. Maybe he called a lawyer and the secretary answered. Could he be maybe a wanted man and need a lot of money to buy himself off? Maybe the lawyer is in cahoots with him and owns a light plane and picked him up. He sure made a phone call according to the spirit. When I was out walking bothe Saturday and Sunday I got a message twice- it said 'He had four' and then broke off. The sentence was not finished. I figured he had four men in with him. How did he know when to jump off. Did he go by lights or did he have something in his brief case such as a powerful walkie talkie or police radio rigged up with someone on the ground? Maybe he was smarter than I thot he was and was wearing heavy underwear. He could thus stand the cold in the plane better and naturally with the aid of some kind of drug or amphetamine.



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I will have to discount my idea of him having anything to do with the forestry school south of Seattle airport. He is undoubtedly in with a gang. If he is in narcotics then he probably also likes to gamble as a high roller or play the horses and that is why he wanted to go to Reno and said something about Mexico. Maybe his buddies buy dope in Mexico and use a small plane to get it. I would check light plane licenses issued to lawyers issued in Portland, Seattle, and Wenatchee. The reason I said Wenatchee is because something came thru me about Wenatchee. It also mentioned 'Kentuckian' and the spirit called him a Colonel and so I think he might be a Kentucky Colonel. If the money was marked you will probably find some of it pretty soon unless he left the country and went to Monte Carlo. That might be why the spirit said for a couple of days 'He is in a seater' Maybe he flew out of the country with the loot. I personally don't think you will find him, but you might just find those chutes floating in the river or down at Astoria one of these days, but I think he got away now. There was once the spirit seemed to say 'he paints' This might mean he used a dye to cover up his gray hair. Saturday I was out walking and the spirit said 'there's a bar' then it broke off and a little later a bar was bombed in Belfast. I heard it on the radio. On Friday it said Paris thru me three times and a little later on the radio I heard of another hijacking in Paris. I get these words thru me every day. [redacted] years ago I had the holy ghost for three days and that was just a news flash with whole sentences and paragraphs coming thru me. It is a pulsation. Nobody in the United States could have it at the present time or I would know about it. The only country I can think of that might be close is Red China. I actually believe many Chinese people at present time contact the spirit. This is called Karma. If I had the holy ghost at present time I could solve all your crimes or most of them anyhow, but sorry I don't have it. I am the only one in the world at the present time who can sit at a typewriter and say exactly what a man must do to contact God and have the holy ghost. It really is very simple if you know how, but if you are ruptured you can't get it and [redacted]. It is all in the bible except the drinking of coffee. If you are a young man shall we say between 20 and 35 then prepare to take a year out of your life. Don't drink a cup of coffee in that whole year. Don't use the sex. Do not smoke or drink. Give up all the animal foods. This includes milk, butter, cheese and etc. Go by what it says in the book of Genesis. Eat all the fruit and herbs. A good bowl of vegetable soup every day will do it and a little oil or peanut butter, rye bread and any kind of raw fruit and when the blood turns over you will start to contact God and he will send his son the Christ and you will get burned out. That is what happened to me [redacted].

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[redacted]. Now I only hear a few words. The burning out process takes about an hour and it takes a year of good living and much walking to reach it. A man is either in the blood or out of the blood. If you eat a lot of blood producing foods you will be in the blood and can't contact. If you eat fruits and vegetables you give up your blood gradually and build towards a flesh and bone body. This is mentioned in the scriptures. The church people all missed the boat. We wouldn't have a Viet Nam War or so much crime now if men were working for the holy Ghost in this country and a permanent peace would be a reality. The hard crust of the church system is a hard nut to crack. They persist in following ceremony. God don't give a hang about ceremony. Health minded people is what he is looking for. Men who walk and hike or ride a bicycle and be careful to eat the natural fruits and vegetables and give up the sex and coffee and processed foods. It does call for a little sacrifice and men just don't give it all up. Look about you and try to find a man who don't smoke, don't drink liquor or coffee, don't use sex and a walker. A vegetarian? Sincerely- [redacted]

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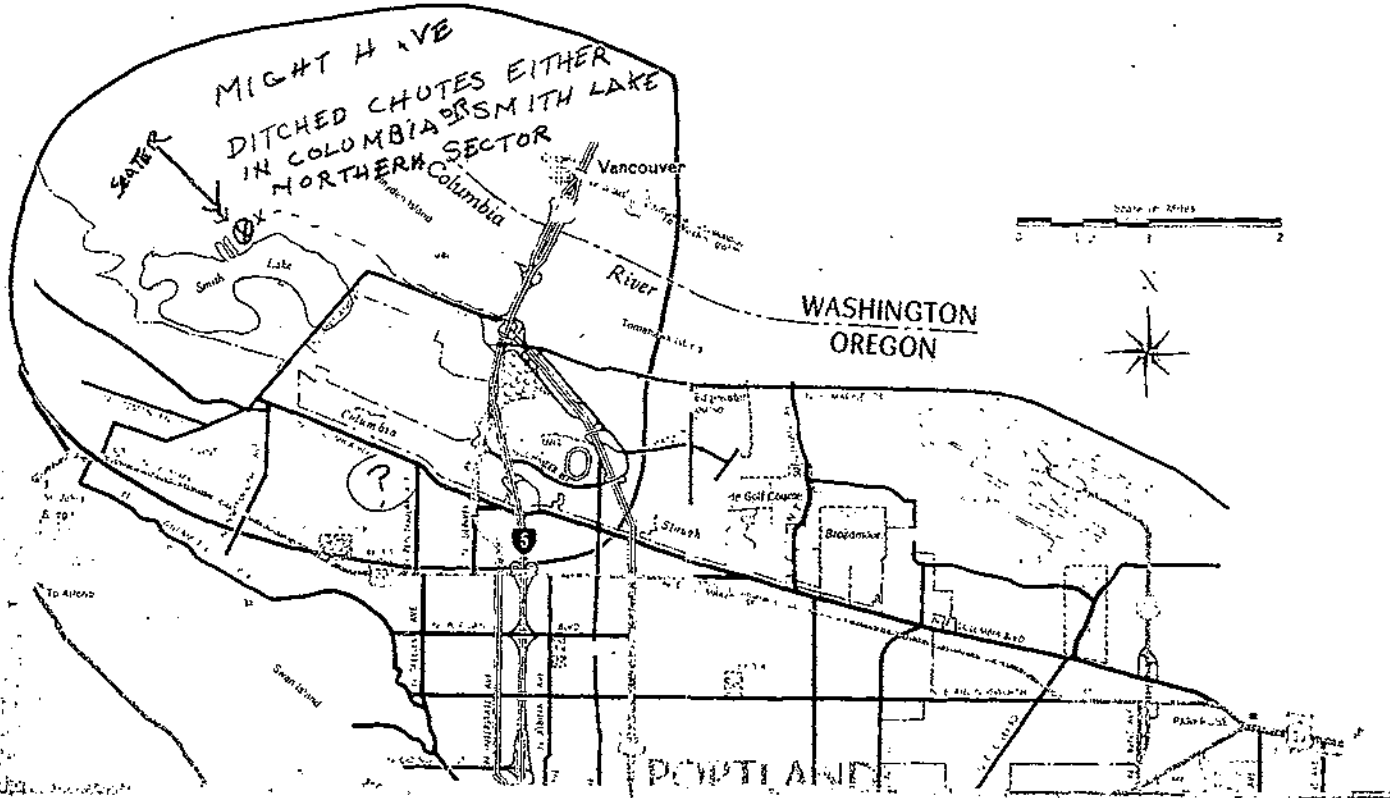




Eagle Rock along North Umpqua River



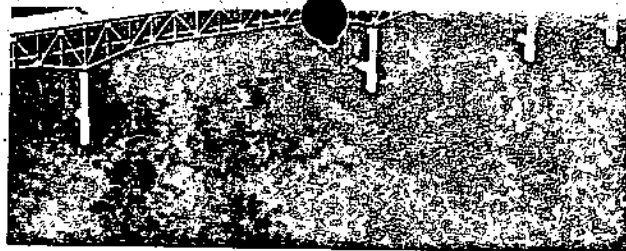
Willamette River, downtown Portland



HE WALKED OR  
RODE DOWN  
UNION AVE.  
ACCORDING TO  
SPIRIT.  
IT TOLD ME THIS  
MONDAY OR SHORTLY  
AFTER HUACK THE  
WORD UNION CAME THRU  
ME. I FOUND THE STREET  
NAME SUNDAY WHEN  
LOOKING AT MAP.  
PREVIOUSLY THOUGHT IT  
HAD TO DO WITH SOME  
UNION HALL.



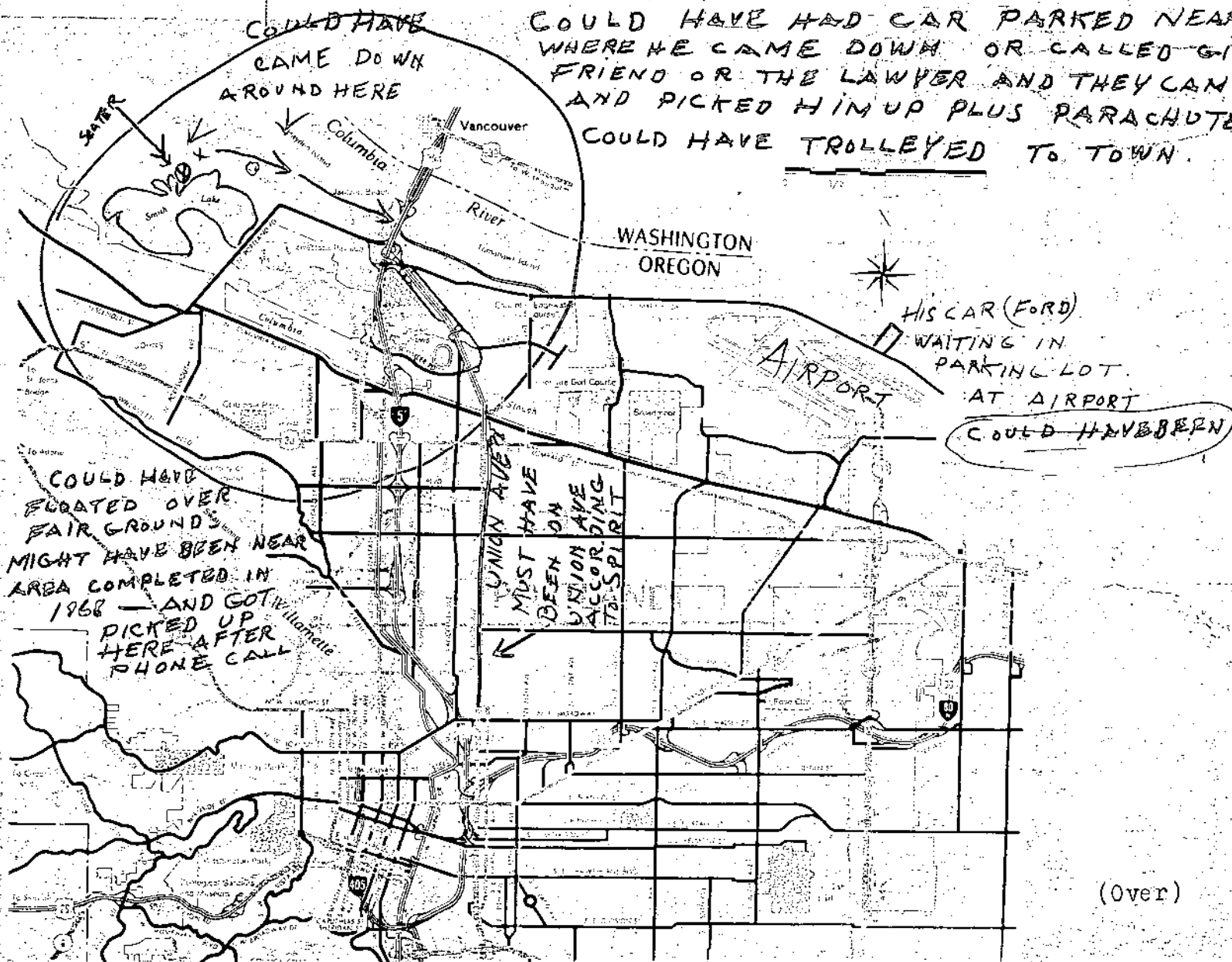
Eagle Rock along North Umpqua River



Willamette River, downtown Portland

COULD HAVE  
CAME DOWN  
AROUND HERE

COULD HAVE HAD CAR PARKED NEAR  
WHERE HE CAME DOWN OR CALLED GIRL  
FRIEND OR THE LAWYER AND THEY CAME  
AND PICKED HIM UP PLUS PARACHUTES.  
COULD HAVE TROLLEYED TO TOWN.



(Over)

P. S. I wouldn't even be surprised if this man actually worked at the fair. How many people work around there ? A few guards I suppose and who works at the place where they keep the live stock and what doctors work around there. He might be an assistant vet and know something about drugs they give to horses such as benzadrine. Just a hunch, because there was something that came thru me about a doctor besides something about a lawyer. I would check all personall at the fair grounds if it were me.

VIA  
AIR



F. B. I.  
Portland Branch  
Portland  
Oregon

DB Cooper-40591

Los Angeles, California  
December 9, 1971.

F. B. I.  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Friends:

I hope you don't get mad at me if I write you one more letter and sort of summarize the case of the \$200,000. hijack in the sky. I see that he hasn't been found yet and naturally it is an interesting case. I guess I have written you five or six letters about it and guess I had better quit it or you will be after me, but I am only trying to crack the case. I was thinking tonite or today if that man was real intelligent or if he was kind of dumb. If he was dumb he might have stayed in the plane for an hour and a half and endured the cold and kind of got caught like a rat in the trap, not anticipating the extreme cold in the plane. I kind of think he was dumb, because it looks to me if he had of been planning such a caper he would have dressed in very warm clothing and it looks to me that it was a sort of spur of the moment like a drunk would think up, because I don't think he was dressed very warm according to what he was wearing and what I read in the papers. If he was intelligent then, he was all prepared to bail out of the plane, before he got very cold. I would say that would be in less than 25 minutes. If this is true then, he would be familiar with the seattle area and get out of the plane and know right where to go in a hurry. I would say that he probably lived or worked near the area where he got out. The other day when I wrote a letter to you I thot you were right about the Woodland, area and then I got to thinking it might be the Seattle, Tacoma area, not far from the airport. He got out quick if he was smart, but if he stayed too long he was dumb and probably practically froze to death. I kind of go for the idea, that he came out near the Seattle area. I figure he lives in a small town like Enumclaw or Puyallup. I noticed on the map there is a college of forestry below the airport. This is La G ande and Alder, Wash. Wouldn't it be funny if he was a professor in this college and he taught smoke jumping. I think this is a lead. All the pictures of the teachers in the school should be showed to the stewardess on the ill fated plane. Anyone that had quit recently would also be a suspect. It might be that he works around one of those little towns and knew his way around. The spirit that I told you I get occasionally told me that he made a phone call. It could have been before he went up or after he came down. The spirit said, he called a [redacted]. That means he either called his wife, his girl friend or his relatives, perhaps a sister. She could have come and picked him up near where he came down and they might have taken the chutes home with them and burned them in the furnace and destroyed the evidence. The spirit has blasted me with different words and if you put them all together they make sense like a giant jig saw puzzle. The first day of the caper, I remember the word-Ford and I thought spring was another one. Today the word ferry came thru and about eight times it said he is in a seater- he is in a seater. Would that mean he fell in a tree and is there dead like he was sitting in a tree? It said over a fair. Came over a fair. Fair could mean fair grounds at Puyallup or at Multnomah north of Portland or at Kelso, like the convention center or some kind of place like a park where people are congregating like a historic site. There is even a town called Fairview across from the Columbia or Willamette. The phrase near a fair over a fair came thru me many times now in the last few days. I like to think of the Puyallup Fair at Puyallup. Perhaps he lives near here or works there or did go there or come down near it. The word Ford might mean that he owns a ford car, but the word car came thru me too. Maybe he works in a Ford dealership or Ford garage near where he came down in one of these small towns near the airport. There was also the word college.

FAIRVIEW MIGHT BE GOOD LEAD. DB Cooper-40592

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The word college made me think of that college of forestry after I had seen it on the map and wondered if he had any connection with it. What do you think?

Two or three things stand out then. If he were smart he bailed out quickly and knew just what he was doing and got home in no time, because he probably lived around there. I don't personally think he was smart at all and probably had never been down in a parachute at all. I think he is dead someplace, but it is sure funny that the chutes have not showed up and neither has he. There are a lot of people out looking for him.

What the spirit told me then is 'he is in a seater' He could be in a swivel chair, in a plane seat heading for another country, in a car going to east coast. I will see now in the next day or two if the spirit still persists in saying-he is in a seater. If this be true then I think he is dead in a tree or dead in a bleachers at a fairgrounds where he hit when he came down, but I have another great idea about it too. The fact of the matter is the spirit keeps saying and especially Dec 3- he is in a seater several times and 'he came down over a fair' near a fair came thru several times--The word car and the word Ford came thru several times. He dialed or called a [redacted] and something about a store or drugstore b6 where he called. Since this word car and Ford began to bug me lately b7c then I think I stumbled on another lead. This is really a kick in the pants and wait until you see it and hear about it. The day before the caper the spirit had talked thru me about a spring, but I thot it was the spring in my heater that is on the bum and it also said something about a field. I have a swell map of Oregon and I was looking at it and guess what I saw. Boy is this deduction. Take a look at the city map of Springfield, Oregon. I never saw anything like it. It looks like a car or a Ford and it even has a seat in it where the McKenzie River and Mohawk rivers cut into the city center. It looks like a seat in a car and the whole town, the way it is layed out looks like a Ford or a car. Right north of the seat where the seat is you will see on the map a park called Armitage state park. This could mean the fair- the seat and the car. Isn't that the cats? I imagine the area north of the seat is wooded. It sure is worth a try and I consider it a good lead. I don't know if the plane path went thru Springfield or not. Maybe it went close to it -better check this very important clue. If he waited this long to bail out and didn't have heavy clothing on then I would say he was a dumbell and was probably so cold and frozen that he couldn't even pull the chute string and he is a corpse laying down there someplace. There is another angle to this case, too. People today are not nice like they were in the twenties and thirties as a rule and if anybody has found the corpse and the money the chances are that they would keep the money and never report it. There may be a few honest people left however. I hope you have the money marked with ultra- violet for black light. If the Cooper guy is smart and really lives in Seattle area in a small town and has the money HE will probably cash some of it in the Seattle city center and not in his small town. A little at a time, or take a plane out of the country. I think he is a crackpot myself and I arrive at my decision thru the light clothes he was wearing and it just might be he is a corpse near Springfield, Oregon right now.

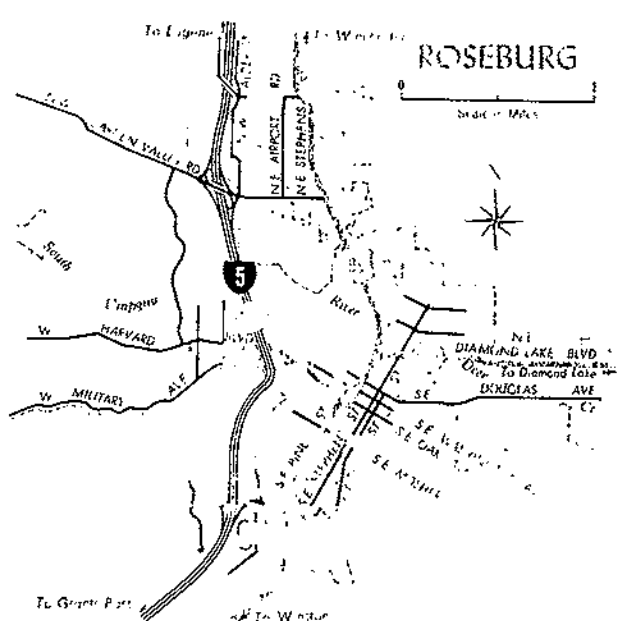
Sincerely,

[redacted]

Yesterday the spirit talked thru me and said paris a couple or three times and I started looking for a french name like Rainier, Wash. because Prince Rainier of Monaco has a principality near France, but it proved to be another hijack at Paris. It also said sewers a couple of times and I thot maybe the man landed near Seattle and hid the chutes in a culvert or drainage ditch, but it rained down her and hence the word sewers meant the coming rain would probably flood some sewers.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Hijacking of Northwest Airlines  
Flight 305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
(OO:Seattle)  
BUfile 164-2111

Re Possible suspect, [REDACTED]

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On 12/7/71, R. L. GILLMOUTH, Sheriff,  
Hood River County SO, Hood River, Oregon, advised  
he received information a suspect in captioned case  
is [REDACTED], white male, 5'11", 140 pounds,  
dark hair, dark complexion, is believed [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], Salem, Oregon. He  
resembles artist's drawing.

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] reside at Marcola, Oregon, exact address  
unknown.

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## LEAD

PORTLAND [REDACTED] 12/8

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AT MARCOLA, OREGON. Will contact [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
at Marcola and obtain complete description, and if  
possible a photograph so it can be determined if he is  
involved or can be eliminated.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

DB Cooper-40595



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (164-81)

DATE: 12-7-71

FROM : SA WILLIAM S. BROWN

SUBJECT: UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER,  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11-24-71;  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

A man who identified himself [redacted] in the vicinity where the search had been made for the hijacker in Washington contacted the office on 12-7-71 and said he knew of a man who fit the description and picture of the hijacker [redacted]

[redacted] gave his own address as [redacted] LaCenter, Wash., tel. [redacted] LaCenter. In addition to [redacted] he also is [redacted] [redacted], Hazeldell, Wash. [redacted] tel. [redacted].

[redacted] said that the individual he had in mind was a man known to him as [redacted]. He said that MALONE is about [redacted] 5'10"-11", 165-170, with a rather [redacted] complexion.

[redacted] explained that in [redacted] [redacted] in Vancouver, Wash. During that period, [redacted] was always trying to figure how to [redacted]. Subsequently, he [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] commented that [redacted]

[redacted] although [redacted] did not know of any parachuting experience. He added that he did not know of [redacted] present location but said that [redacted] is well known to [redacted] by the name of [redacted] at [redacted] in Vancouver. [redacted] is [redacted], last known to be employed [redacted] Vancouver.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (164-81)

DATE: 12-7-71

FROM : SA WILLIAM S. BROWN

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER,  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11-24-71;  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

No P.L.D. LEADS

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[REDACTED] gave his own address as [REDACTED] LaCenter, Wash., tel. [REDACTED] LaCenter. In addition to being a farmer, he also is [REDACTED] Hazeldell, Wash. [REDACTED] tel. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] explained that in [REDACTED] in Vancouver, Wash. During that period, [REDACTED] was always trying to figure how to [REDACTED] Subsequently, he [REDACTED]

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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From a review of the Portland indices, it is believed that the above individual is identical with the subject of file number [redacted] re: [redacted]

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This individual [redacted]  
[redacted] He was described  
as follows/ in 1968:

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Race - White  
Date of Birth - [redacted]  
Place of Birth - [redacted]  
Height - 6'  
Weight - 175  
Hair - Dark Brown  
Eyes - Brown  
Education - [redacted]  
Residence - [redacted]  
Marital Status - [redacted]  
Parents - Deceased  
Next of kin - [redacted]  
Scars and Marks - [redacted]  
Military Service [redacted]

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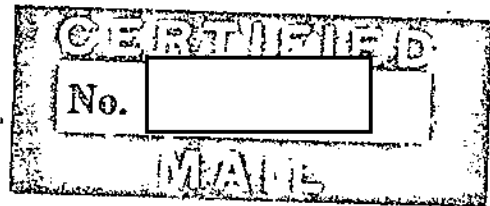
Portland, Or

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New York, NY 10022

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Susp Pct: [REDACTED]

NO PTLD LEAD

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
(ATT: FBI LABORATORY,  
LATENT PRINTS AND DOCUMENT SECTION)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (164-627)

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING  
(OO: SEATTLE)

ReNYtel to Portland and Seattle dated 12/3/71.

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory are a 4-page article,  
one envelope and a letter from [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], Portland, Oregon. Enclosed for Seattle  
and Portland are copies of above.

On 12/3/71, [REDACTED], Magazine Management  
Company, made available above enclosures which he stated he had  
received that same date. He stated it would be necessary to  
return the above original enclosures, as it was customary to  
return unrequested articles for publication to the individuals  
who had submitted them.

- 3 - Bureau (Encs. 6) (RM)  
(1-FBI Laboratory, Prints and Document Section)
- ① - Portland (Encl. 1) ✓  
1 - Seattle (Encl. 1) ✓  
1 - New York

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NY 164-627

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

(1) FBI Latent Prints and Document Section is requested to examine the above enclosures for possible latent prints, and to compare them with any latents developed in this matter. These originals should be expeditiously returned to New York in view of [REDACTED] request that they be returned to him.

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(2) Document Section is requested to examine enclosures and compare them with any specimens developed in this matter, if available.



NR 004 SE PLAIN

6:22K AM URGENT 12/7/71 SWD

TO WFO

MINNEAPOLIS

PORTLAND

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 2P

SUSPECT: RALPH V. GALOPE

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE,  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE

RE WFO TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, DECEMBER SIX INSTANT.

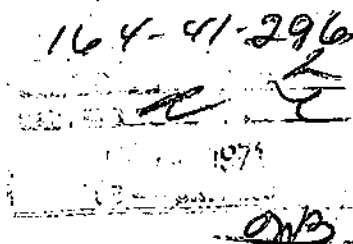
RE SUSPECT RALPH V. GALOPE

FOR INFORMATION OF PORTLAND AND MINNEAPOLIS, INFORMATION  
RECEIVED FROM [REDACTED] (PROTECT) THAT GALOPE  
RESEMBLES COMPOSITE AND APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR AGO STATED HE  
WAS TIRED OF BEING BROKE AND THINKING OF HIJACKING AN AIRPLANE.  
HE STATED WORDS TO EFFECT HE WOULD DEMAND RANSOM IN CONNECTION  
WITH THE HIJACKING. ALSO HAS USED ALIAS OF COOPER AND  
CLAIMED PREVIOUS MILITARY DUTY WITH EIGHTY-SECOND AIRBORNE  
DIVISION. GALOPE DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, FORTY-TWO YEARS OLD;  
BORN JULY SEVEN, NINETEEN TWENTYNINE (, WASHINGTON, D.C.,  
MEDIUM HEIGH, ONE HUNDRED SIXTYFIVE POUNDS, THINNING BROWN  
HAIR, DEEP VOICE, ITALIAN EXTRACTION, HEAVY SMOKER AND DRINKER.  
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SHOW PHOTO



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GALOPE LEFT WASHINGTON, D.C. SOMETIME LAST YEAR AND PRESENT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN.

WFO FURNISH FACSIMILE PHOTO TO PORTLAND, AND MINNEAPOLIS TO DISPLAY TO WITNESSES.

MINNEAPOLIS AND PORTLAND, UPON RECEIPT OF PHOTO FROM WFO, WILL DISPLAY TO WITNESSES. -P-

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NR007 SE PLAIN

10:45AM URGENT 12/7/71 VAB

TO WFO (164-169)

PORTLAND (164-41)

MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

SUSPECT: RALPH V. GALOPE

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA-HIJACK-  
ING; EXTORTION 00: SE.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE DECEMBER SIX LAST.

RE: RALPH V. GALOPE

IN VIEW OF THE QUALITY OF FACSIMILES RECEIVED, <sup>WFO</sup>WHO IS REQUESTED  
TO FURNISH GLOSSY PHOTOS OF GALOPE TO SEATTLE, MINNEAPOLIS AND PORT-  
LAND, AMSD, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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CORR: LINE THREE NINTH WORD SHD READ WFO

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*[Handwritten initials]*

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TO SEATTLE

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KANSAS CITY

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 3P



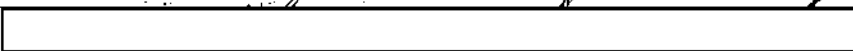
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UNSUB; ALSO KNOWN AS DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY  
FOUR SEVENTY ONE; CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OFFICE OF ORIGIN:  
SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SEATTLE DECEMBER FIVE LAST, AND  
LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO SEATTLE DECEMBER SIX LAST.

RE SUSPECTS

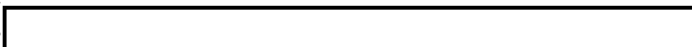


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INVESTIGATION ON DECEMBER SIX LAST AT SUN VALLEY,  
CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHED



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LIVING AT UNKNOWN ADDRESS IN GREATER

LOS ANGELES AREA.



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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
AND DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, [REDACTED] YEARS, SIX FEET  
TALL, ONE SEVEN ZERO POUNDS, DARK HAIR, AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SEVERAL  
POLICE AGENCIES, BUT THIS NOT VERIFIED. ARTIST SKETCH  
DISPLAYED AND DOES NOT RESEMBLE [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED].

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NAME OF [REDACTED] UNKNOWN TO [REDACTED]

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LOS ANGELES WILL CONDUCT INVESTIGATION AT [REDACTED]  
CALIFORNIA, [REDACTED] IN EFFORT TO  
IDENTIFY GUY (LNU).

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Date: 12/7/71

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT  
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(Priority)

TO : SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) \_\_\_\_\_ P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER  
TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO:SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER SIX, SEVENTYONE.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, WASHINGTON, AS OF \_\_\_\_\_. HE  
HAS WASHINGTON DRIVER'S LICENSE \_\_\_\_\_.

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Special Agent in Charge

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Date: 12/7/71

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Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT  
(Priority)TO: SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, ETC. CAA DASH  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

SUMMARY TELETYPE

LOOK ALIKE LEADS ARE STILL BEING RECEIVED AT PORTLAND; HOWEVER,  
NONE OF THE LEADS HAS BEEN PRODUCTIVE AS YET. - P -

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Special Agent in Charge

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TO SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, ETC. CAA -  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO SEATTLE.

SUSPECT 

INFORMATION RECEIVED TODAY RE SUSPECT IS BEING SENT TO  
SEATTLE BY TELECOPIER. RECORDS U. S. PROBATION OFFICE, PORTLAND,  
DISCLOSE  AND OTHERS, WAS  
STILL INCARCERATED MC NEILL ISLAND, WASHINGTON, AS OF DECEMBER  
EIGHT, SIXTYNINE.


SEATTLE WILL DETERMINE IF SUSPECT STILL IN JAIL AND IF NOT  
CONDUCT LOGICAL INVESTIGATION RE SUSPECT.

① Portland (164-41)

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NR 007 MP PLAIN

5:52 PM NITEL 12/7/71 CMH

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

KANSAS CITY

LAS VEGAS

NEWARK

NEW YORK (164-627)

NORFOLK

PORTLAND

RICHMOND

SEATTLE (164-81)

SPRINGFIELD (164-31)

WFO

HOUSTON

FROM MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO  
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE NEW YORK TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR DECEMBER THREE LAST,  
NORFOLK TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR DECEMBER THREE LAST, SEATTLE  
NITEL NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST AND SPRINGFIELD TELETYPE TO  
DIRECTOR DECEMBER ONE LAST.

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PHOTOGRAPH OF SUSPECT BEN LEIBSEN, OF CARSON CITY,  
NEVADA, DISPLAYED TO STEWARDESS [REDACTED] WITHOUT  
IDENTIFICATION. PHOTOGRAPHS OF DANIEL L. COOPER DEVELOPED  
BY SPRINGFIELD DIVISION DISPLAYED TO STEWARDESSES [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. BOTH STEWARDESSES  
ADVISED PHOTOS OF [REDACTED] DEVELOPED BY KANSAS  
CITY AND [REDACTED], OF SEATTLE,  
NOT IDENTICAL WITH UNSUB.

WITH REGARD TO SUSPECT [REDACTED] SUBMITTED BY  
NEW YORK, A SEARCH OF FLIGHT LEFT ENVELOPES FOR NORTHWEST  
AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE FOR NOVEMBER TWENTYTWO,  
TWENTYTHREE, AND TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE FAILED TO DISCLOSE  
ANYONE BY NAME OF COOPER USED THIS FLIGHT BETWEEN WASHINGTON,  
D.C. AND PORTLAND, OREGON.

STEWARDESSES ON FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE DURING HIJACK  
ADVISED THEY OBSERVED NO ENGLISH OR SCOTTISH ACCENT DURING  
CONVERSATION WITH HIJACKER.

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NWA, MINNEAPOLIS, HAS LOCATED UNSUB'S TICKET LIFT  
COUPON FOR FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE AND COUPON IS BEING  
SUBMITTED TO IDENTIFICATION DIVISION BY MINNEAPOLIS.

THE FOLLOWING PHOTOGRAPHS WERE ALSO SHOWN TO STEWARDESS

[REDACTED] WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS: [REDACTED] DEVELOPED

BY PORTLAND OFFICE; [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DEVELOPED BY HOUSTON OFFICE; AND [REDACTED]

DEVELOPED BY SEATTLE OFFICE.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
SAC, BALTIMORE  
SAC, MINNEAPOLIS  
SAC, SEATTLE (164-181)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-48) (P)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER  
TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA-HIJACKING. OO: SEATTLE

ON DECEMBER SEVEN SEVENTYONE, [REDACTED]

ALBANY, OREGON, ADVISED ON DECEMBER THREE SEVENTYONE ~~AN~~ INDIVIDUAL  
~~XX~~  
BY NAME OF HARRY E. CRONK WAS BROUGHT TO THE ALBANY GENERAL HOSPITAL  
BY UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL. CRONK WAS ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL WITH THREE  
BROKEN RIBS AND COMPRESSED FRACTURE OF THE SPINE. HE ALSO HAD A  
HEALING WOUND ON HIS FOREHEAD. ACCORDING TO [REDACTED], INJURIES  
TO CRONK WERE SEVERAL DAYS OLD AND WOULD HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY A  
SEVERE FALL. UPON ADMITTANCE TO HOSPITAL CRONK WAS IN PAIN AND  
STATED HE HAD NO MEDICATION. HOSPITAL PERSONNEL LATER FOUND MED-  
ICATION IN BELONGINGS OF CRONK. INDIVIDUAL THAT ACCOMPANIED CRONK  
TO HOSPITAL LEFT AND RETURNED NEXT DAY BUT HAS NOT BEEN SEEN SINCE  
DECEMBER FOUR SEVENTYONE.

[REDACTED] QUERIED CRONK HAS TO HOW HE RECEIVED INJURIES BUT CRONK  
WOULD NOT TELL HIM. [REDACTED] SAID CRONK TOLD HIM HE WAS A TRUCK DRIVER  
FOR INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT, SOUTH EZ HIGHWAY FIFTY TWO, ROCHESTER,  
164-41-303

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DOB: OCTOBER ONE TWENTYSIX  
MINNESOTA. CRONK DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, FIVE ELEVEN, TWO HUNDRED  
POUNDS, LIGHT HAIR DASH GREYING AND CUT SHORT; LOW HOARSE VOICE,  
MEDIUM COMPLEXION; ADDRESS POST OFFICE BOX SEVENTY FOUR, KYKOFF,  
MINNESOTA; <sup>Discharged From US Marine Corp in 1946</sup> SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER FIVE ZERO THREE DASH TWO FOUR DASH  
THREE FIVE SIX NINE. [ ] ADVISED HE HAS SEEN COMPOSITE OF HI-  
JACKER, BUT IT WAS NOT VERY SIMILAR TO CRONK. WHEN CRONK LEFT  
HOSPITAL ON DECEMBER SEVEN SEVENTYONE HE MADE COMMENT HE WAS GOING  
TO VISIT HIS PARENTS IN BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON.

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BUREAU REQUESTED TO AUTHORIZED BALTIMORE DIVISION TO CHECK  
APPROPRIATE SOURCES CONCERNING CRONK'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER.

BALTIMORE WILL UPON RECEIPT OF BUREAU AUTHORITY CONDUCT EX  
APPROPRIATE CHECK REGARDING SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER FIVE ZERO THREE  
DASH TWO FOUR DASH ~~XXXX~~ THREE FIVE SIX NINE.

MINNEAPOLIS WILL VERIFY ADDRESS AND EMPLOYMENT OF CRONK AND  
CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF CRONK POSSIBLE  
SUSPECT THIS MATTER.

SEATTLE CONSIDER <sup>Identifying</sup> ~~ATTEMPTING TO IDENTIFY~~ PARENTS OF CRONK  
IN BELLINGHAM IN EFFORT TO LOCATE HIM.

PORTLAND WILL REINTERVIEW [ ] AND OBTAIN COMPLETE  
MEDICAL RECORDS FOR ANY ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON CRONK.

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TO SEATTLE (164-81)

PORTLAND (164-41)

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FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) 1P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER. HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE  
ZERO FIVE. NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING, EXTORTION.  
OO: SEATTLE.

RE SAN FRANCISCO TEL TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER SIX, LAST. SER 264

[REDACTED], USNR TRAINING CENTER,  
MARE ISLAND NAVAL SHIPYARD, VALLEJO, CALIFORNIA, AND [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], USNR  
TRAINING CENTER, BOTH ADVISED DECEMBER SEVEN, LAST, THEY HAVE NO  
PERSONNEL MATCHING DESCRIPTION IN RETEL WHO WERE OUT OF AREA AT  
PERTINENT TIME. [REDACTED]

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WHO MATCHES GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF UNSUB, WAS ON ACTIVE DUTY FOR  
TWO WEEK OVER THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY.

SAN FRANCISCO ADVISED AIR MAIL.

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TO: LOS ANGELES

MINNEAPOLIS

*4 SEATTLE*

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 2 P

UNSUB, AKA D.B. COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE; CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE.

ON DECEMBER THREE, SEVENTY ONE, [REDACTED], PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (PDX) ADVISED AN UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL WHO CLOSELY RESEMBLED THE UNSUB IN THIS MATTER ARRIVED PDX, NINE O'CLOCK PM, DECEMBER THREE, SEVENTY ONE, ABOARD [REDACTED] [REDACTED] THIS FLIGHT ORIGINATED IN [REDACTED] [REDACTED], PRIOR TO ARRIVING IN PORTLAND. ON ARRIVAL AT PDX, UNSUB WAS MET BY AN UNKNOWN PERSON DRIVING A LATE MODEL SEDAN BEARING CALIFORNIA LICENSE [REDACTED]

CALIFORNIA STATE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES (DMV) ADVISES

[REDACTED] LISTED TO NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE OLDSMOBILE

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REGISTERED OWNER, [REDACTED]

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NINETEEN FIFTY EIGHT CHEVROLET FOUR DOOR, CALIFORNIA LICENSE

[REDACTED], REGISTERED TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CALIFORNIA.

LOS ANGELES AT [REDACTED].

AT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE IF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RESIDES AT THIS ADDRESS, DETERMINE TO WHOM HE HAS  
SOLD VEHICLE BEARING CALIFORNIA LICENSE [REDACTED].MINNEAPOLIS AT [REDACTED]. CONDUCT SAME INVESTIGATION SET  
OUT FOR LOS ANGELES AT [REDACTED].b6  
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LOS ANGELES (164-497)

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) 2P

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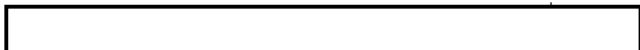
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PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION; OO SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER FIVE LAST; AND  
SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER FIVE LAST.

RE SUSPECTS



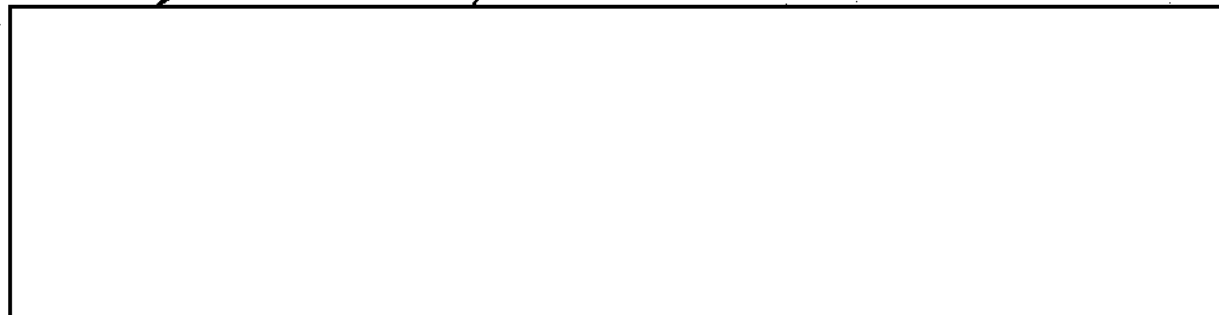
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[Redacted] ADVISED

ON DECEMBER SEVEN LAST, [Redacted]

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TO: DENVER (164-98)

SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 1 P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE; CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION;  
OO: SEATTLE.

RE DENVER TELETYPE TO PORTLAND AND SAN FRANCISCO, ~~NOVEMBER~~ <sup>DECEMBER</sup>  
SEVEN, SEVENTY ONE, AND BUTTE TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, SAN FRANCISCO,  
AND DENVER, DECEMBER SIX, SEVENTY ONE.

ON DECEMBER EIGHT, SEVENTY ONE, [REDACTED]  
WESTERN GREYHOUND LINES, PORTLAND, OREGON, ADVISED [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] GREYHOUND, BASED OUT OF SEATTLE, LEFT  
SEATTLE EIGHT FORTY FIVE PM, AND ARRIVED PORTLAND ELEVEN FIFTY PM,  
NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE, AND ON NOVEMBER TWENTY FIVE,  
SEVENTY ONE, AT TWO FORTY FIVE AM, LEFT PORTLAND EN ROUTE SEATTLE.

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1-Seattle (AM)  
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FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 1 P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE; CAA-  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE.

*No PD LEADS*

SUSPECT-- [REDACTED]

THIS DATE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WMA, SIX  
FEET TALL, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, DARK  
COMPLEXION, PRESENT AGE APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED]

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NO LOCAL POLICE RECORD FOR [REDACTED]

WITNESS-- [REDACTED]

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THIS DATE, [REDACTED] SO, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MAY BE INVOLVED IN CAPTIONED MATTER. [REDACTED]

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b7D[REDACTED] UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY FURTHER  
INFORMATION, HOWEVER, ADVISED [REDACTED] WOULD BE ENTIRELY COOPERATIVE.SEATTLE AT [REDACTED], WASHINGTON. WILL CONDUCT APPROPRIATE  
INVESTIGATION RE [REDACTED] AND ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN CURRENTApproved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_  
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PHOTOGRAPH [REDACTED].

SEATTLE AT TACOMA, WASHINGTON. INTERVIEW [REDACTED]  
FOR ALL INFORMATION RE POSSIBLE SUSPECT.b6  
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TO NEW YORK (164-627) 702/p - LLA  
 SEATTLE (164-81) - 452  
 FROM PORTLAND (164-41) LP

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO  
 SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWO FOUR, SEVENTY ONE. CAA - HIJACKING;  
 EXTORTION. OO SEATTLE.



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RE SEATTLE FACSIMILE TO PORTLAND DECEMBER SEVEN, SEVENTY ONE,  
 AND NEW YORK TEL DECEMBER THREE, SEVENTY ONE.

SUSPECT

ON DECEMBER EIGHT, SEVENTY ONE, IN PERSONAL INTERVIEW WITH  
 FOR PUBLICATION IN "MEN ONLY"

HE STATED HE WROTE THE ARTICLE TO MAKE MONEY AND MOST OF THE  
 FACTS IN THE ARTICLE ARE FROM THE "OREGONIAN," A PORTLAND NEWSPAPER,  
 AND HE EXERCISED LITERARY LICENSE TO COMPLETE THE REST OF THE  
 ARTICLE.

ON PERSONAL OBSERVATION IT WAS NOTED THAT ARTISTS DRAWING DOES  
 NOT RESEMBLE THAT OF .

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 NEW YORK AND SEATTLE.

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

ALBUQUERQUE (149-131)

SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) <sup>549</sup><sub>pm</sub>

OKLAHOMA CITY

LITTLE ROCK (164-22)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 2 P

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE; CAA-  
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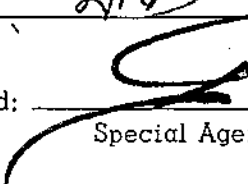
REBULET TO ALL OFFICES EXCEPT SEATTLE, PORTLAND, AND LAS VEGAS,  
NOVEMBER TWENTY NINE, SEVENTY ONE; LITTLE ROCK TELETYPE TO SEATTLE,  
ALBUQUERQUE, PORTLAND, AND SAN FRANCISCO, DECEMBER THREE, SEVENTY  
ONE; PORTLAND TELETYPE TO LITTLE ROCK AND SEATTLE, DECEMBER SIX,  
SEVENTY ONE; SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, ALBUQUERQUE,  
PORTLAND, AND LITTLE ROCK, DECEMBER SIX, SEVENTY ONE.

SUSPECT--

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], STATED ON DECEMBER EIGHT,  
SEVENTY ONE, [REDACTED]

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HE IS DESCRIBED AS AGE [REDACTED], FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES,  
ONE HUNDRED FIFTY FIVE POUNDS, SLIM BUILD, SANDY HAIR, POSSIBLY  
BLUE EYES.

OKLAHOMA CITY WILL CHECK OUT [REDACTED] AS SUSPECT AND ATTEMPT TO  
OBTAIN PHOTO. WILL SET OUT LEAD TO INTERVIEW [REDACTED] AT FARMINGTON,  
NEW MEXICO, IF BELIEVED NECESSARY.

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5:17PM NITEL 12/8/71 JAK

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) 1P

SAMAR UNITS-SF  
NO PD LEADS

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; HIJACKING OF NOR HWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT  
THREE ZERO FIVE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR, LAST, LAST, CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION, OO: SE

12/2 REPDTL TO SF, DEC. TWO, LAST AND SFTL TO SE, DEC. SIX, LAST.

RE LOOK-A-LIKE ASSIGNED TO SAMAR DIVISION OF NAVY RESERVE

IN BAY AREA.

COMMANDING OFFICERS OF THE THREE SAMAR UNITS WITHIN THE SAN  
FRANCISCO DIVISION, NAMELY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]; AND [REDACTED]

NAS COULD NOT RECOGNIZE COMPOSITE CONCEPTION OF UNSUB AND  
NONE OF THEIR PERSONNEL TOTALLING TWO HUNDRED FIFTEEN RESERVIST  
HAVE HAD ANY SKY DIVING OR PARACHUTING EXPERIENCE. THESE  
OFFICERS COULD SUGGEST NO ONE IN THEIR UNITS AS A LOOK-A-LIKE.

SF CONDUCTING NO ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION REGARDING  
THIS PARTICULAR LEAD.

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5:19 PM NITEL 12-8-71 MLF

TO DIRECTOR

BALTIMORE

SEATTLE (164-81)

PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) 2P

SUSPECT, HARRY E. CRONK

UNSUB, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER  
TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING. OO: SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, 35 -), DECEMBER  
SEVEN, LAST.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT COMPANY, ROCHESTER,  
MINNESOTA, ON DECEMBER EIGHT, INSTANT, ADVISED HARRY E. CRONK  
IS A LONG-TIME OWNER-OPERATOR-TRUCKER LEASED TO INTERNATIONAL  
TRANSPORT. THEY SAID CRONK AND [REDACTED] WERE AT  
DUROC FLAKE LUMBER COMPANY, MILLERSBURG, OREGON, ON DECEMBER  
THREE, LAST, LOADING LUMBER. CRONK FELL OFF THE LOAD AND WAS  
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TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL IN ALBANY, OREGON, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED].  
CRONK DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, BORN OCTOBER ONE,  
NINETEEN TWENTYSIX, AT ROCHESTER, MINNESOTA, FIVE FEET  
ELEVEN, TWO HUNDRED NINE POUNDS, BROWN GRAYING CREW-CUT  
HAIR, TIP MISSING FROM INDEX FINGER RIGHT HAND, SOCIAL  
SECURITY NUMBER FIVE ZERO THREE - TWO FOUR - THREE FIVE  
SIX NINE, [REDACTED], AND RESIDING AT WYKOFF, MINNESOTA.

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CRONK IS TO SPEND A FEW DAYS RECOVERING FROM HIS  
INJURIES WITH HIS PARENTS, NAMES UNKNOWN, IN WASHINGTON  
STATE.

[REDACTED] NOW EN ROUTE TO [REDACTED].

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6:30 PM 12-8-71 URGENT DD

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)L

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

SAC, MINNEAPOLIS

HARRY WM CELK

FROM: SAC, BUTTE (164-26) 2P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE  
ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWO FOUR, LAST,  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE: HARRY WILLIAM CELK

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE, DECEMBER FOUR, LAST.

[REDACTED] COSART VOLKSWAGEN (VW), INC.,  
HELENA, MONTANA, INTERVIEWED THIS P.M. [REDACTED] ADVISED HARRY  
WILLIAM CELK IS SALES MANAGER FOR COSART VW, INC., AND HAS  
BEEN EMPLOYED BY COSART FOR PAST FIVE - SIX YEARS IN HELENA  
AND KLANATH FALLS, OREGON. [REDACTED] STATED CELK WORKS SIX  
DAYS A WEEK AND HAS NOT HAD A DAY OFF FOR SEVERAL MONTHS.

[REDACTED] STATED CELK WOULD HAVE BEEN AT WORK AT COSART VW,  
INC., NOVEMBER TWO TWO - TWO FOUR, LAST, BUT COULD NOT PRODUCE  
RECORDS TO VERIFY WORK ON THOSE DATES, OTHER THAN CANCELED  
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CHECKS SIGNED BY CELK ON THE ABOVE DATES. [ ] EXPLAINED  
CELK WAS NOT ALLOWED TO DATE CHECKS OTHER THAN THE DAY  
ISSUED AND, THEREFORE, WOULD HAVE TO HAVE BEEN WORKING THOSE  
DATES.

[ ], COSART VW, INC., HELENA,  
INTERVIEWED THIS P.M., VERIFIED ABOVE INFORMATION FURNISHED  
BY [ ].

[ ] VERIFIED [ ]

[ ] LAST. [ ] ALSO STATED THAT CELK WAS CAPABLE OF  
FLYING A SMALL AIRCRAFT, BUT NOT A LICENSED PILOT.

RECORDS AT HELENA AIRPORT REFLECT NO INFORMATION OF  
ABOVE AIRCRAFT BEING FLOWN DURING PERIOD NOVEMBER TWO TWO -  
TWO FOUR, LAST.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS .

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(Priority)TO: SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1PUNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, N.W. AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
ETC., CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE.

SUMMARY TELETYPE.

VOLUME OF LOOK A LIKE CALLS RECEIVED BY PD OFFICE HAS  
DIMINISHED TO LOW VOLUME TODAY. INVESTIGATION TO DATE HAS  
PRODUCED NO POSITIVE INFORMATION.164-41  
NBB:pah  
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in ChargeSent 7:17/p M Per cla

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NR019 SE PLAIN

7:22 PM NITEL 12/8/71 DCA

TO PORTLAND

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) (P) IP

[REDACTED]

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UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA -  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. 00: SE.

RE BUTTE TELETYPE TO ANCHORAGE, PORTLAND AND SEATTLE DATED  
NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE, LAST.

RE [REDACTED]

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INVESTIGATION AT SEATTLE REVEALS SUSPECT [REDACTED]

LISTED FORMER ADDRESS OF [REDACTED], DALLAS,  
OREGON. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] SUSPECT DESCRIBED AS DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]; FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY LBS.,

BROWN HAIR BLUE EYES, SSAN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SUSPECT FORMERLY [REDACTED]

PORTLAND REQUESTED TO LOCATE SUBJECT [REDACTED] TO DETERMINE

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SUBJECT'S WHEREABOUTS ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST TO ELIMINATE OR

CONFIRM [REDACTED] AS HIJACKER. IF UNABLE TO LOCATE, FORWARD BACKGROUND  
AND CURRENT PHOTO.

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ACK FOR TWO TELS PLEASE HOLD FOR THREE TELS

[REDACTED]

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DB Cooper-40640

NR 019 PD PLAIN

8:50 PM NITEL 12/8/71 TLA

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

SUSPECT:

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NO PD LEADS

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER, NW AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, EC.

CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TEL TO PORTLAND SIX DECEMBER SEVENTYONE ELEVEN THIRTY  
THREE A.M.

SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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SUSPECT WAS ARRESTED BY PORTLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

HAIR BROWN, EYES BROWN, HEIGHT FIVE FOOT NINE INCHES, WEIGHT ONE FIVE  
ZERO POUNDS, FBI NUMBER [REDACTED].

NO RECORD THAT SUSPECT WAS EMPLOYED BY [REDACTED] AND

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MAY HAVE WORKED FOR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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TELEPHONE [REDACTED], VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON,  
MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE INFORMATION RE FORMER EMPLOYEES.

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[REDACTED] NW AIRLINES EMPLOYEE AT PORTLAND VIEWED  
PICTURE OF [REDACTED] AND BELIEVES HE IS NOT THE HIJACKER.

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NR 020 PD PLAIN

8:54 PM NITEL 12/8/71 TLA

TO: OMAHA

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

FLIGHT INSURANCE  
PD LEAD

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER, NW AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, ETC.  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE NITEL TO PORTLAND SIX DECEMBER SEVENTYONE.

ON DECEMBER EIGHT SEVENTYONE, [REDACTED], MUTUAL OF  
OMAHA (HEADQUARTERS) FLIGHT INSURANCE REP, PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL  
AIR PORT, ADVISED FLIGHT INSURANCE FROM MUTUAL OF OMAHA INSURANCE  
MACHINES FOR NOVEMBER TWENTYTHREE TO TWENTYFOUR, LAST, IN POSSESSION  
OF TELE-TRIP, MUTUAL OF OMAHA, THREE ONE THREE DODGE ST, OMAHA,  
NEBRASKA.

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OMAHA WILL OBTAIN COPIES OF APPLICATIONS OF INSURANCE PURCHASED  
THROUGH MACHINES ON TWENTYTHREE NOVEMBER SEVENTYONE AND UNTIL  
FOUR P.M. TWENTYFOUR NOVEMBER SEVENTYONE AND FORWARD THIS INFORMATION  
TO SEATTLE AND PORTLAND.

PORTLAND OBTAINED THIRTYEIGHT INSURANCE APPLICATIONS FROM  
TELE-TRIP INSURANCE COUNTER, PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.  
COPIES OF SAME ARE BEING FURNISHED SEATTLE. PORTLAND WILL CHECK OUT  
NAMES OF INDIVIDUALS RESIDING IN PORTLAND AREA.

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FOR 2 TELS

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NR049 WA PLAIN

9:25 PM NITEL 12-8-71 LRS

TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR 2P

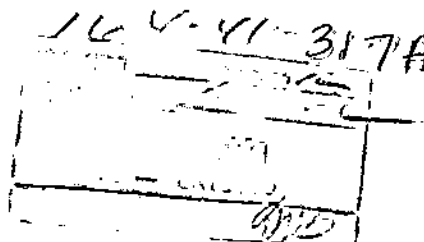
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"RANSOM LIST"

FOR YOUR INFORMATION, THE FOLLOWING PRESS RELEASE WAS  
ISSUED NATIONALLY THIS DATE.

ATTORNEY GENERAL JOHN N. MITCHELL ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT  
A "RANSOM LIST" OF THE KNOWN SERIAL-NUMBERED BILLS THAT WERE  
GIVEN TO THE HIJACKER OF NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE  
ZERO FIVE ON NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE, HAS  
BEEN PREPARED AND IS BEING DISTRIBUTED BY THE FBI THROUGHOUT  
THE COUNTRY.

FBI DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER ADVISED THAT THE "RANSOM  
LIST," THIRTY FOUR PAGES IN LENGTH, CONTAINS THE SERIAL NUMBERS  
OF TWENTY DOLLAR FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES WHICH WERE PAID TO THE  
HIJACKER FOR THE RELEASE OF THIRTY SIX PASSENGERS AND TWO CREW  
MEMBERS. THE HIJACKER BOARDED THE FLIGHT AT PORTLAND, OREGON,  
AND HIJACKED THE PLANE JUST PRIOR TO ARRIVAL IN SEATTLE,  
END PAGE ONE



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WASHINGTON. HE IS BELIEVED TO HAVE PARACHUTED FROM THE BOEING SEVEN TWENTY SEVEN AIRCRAFT WHILE IT WAS IN FLIGHT FROM SEATTLE TO RENO, NEVADA.

MR. HOOVER ADVISED THAT COPIES OF THE "RANSOM LIST" ARE BEING FURNISHED TO FBI OFFICES AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES, AS WELL AS CERTAIN FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS. HE REQUESTED ANYONE HAVING ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS MATTER TO IMMEDIATELY CONTACT THE NEAREST OFFICE OF THE FBI, THE TELEPHONE NUMBER OF WHICH MAY BE FOUND ON THE FIRST PAGE OF MOST TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES.

END

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 8, 1971

[redacted]  
furnished the following information:

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[redacted] advised that [redacted]  
[redacted]

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He has also [redacted]  
[redacted]

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On the night of November 24, 1971, he was [redacted]  
[redacted]

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The following description was obtained through interview and observation:

Name  
Residence

Race  
Sex  
Date of birth  
Place of birth  
Hair  
Eyes  
Social Security No.  
Employment  
Occupation  
Education

White

Male

Brown

Blue

Military service  
Arrests

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On 12/8/71 at Portland, Oregon File # PD 164-41-318  
SE 164-81  
by SA [redacted] <sup>elb</sup>gle Date dictated 12/8/71

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12/8/71

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re Portland teletype to New York and Seattle, 12/8/71.

Enclosed for Seattle and New York are two copies  
each of an FD-302 reporting interview with [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Portland, Oregon.

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- 2 - Seattle (Enc. 2)
- 2 - New York (164-627) (Enc. 2)
- 2 - Portland

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DB Cooper-40647



FBI

Date: 12/8/71

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 302, D.B. COOPER LETTER  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLEEnclosed for the Bureau is a letter and envelope  
forwarded to \_\_\_\_\_,  
Oregon, from "B. D. COOPER," dated 12/6/71.Elimination fingerprints will be obtained if  
necessary.

The laboratory is requested to conduct appropriate  
examination of the enclosed letter and envelope to determine  
any pertinent latent fingerprints which could be identified  
with the sender and furnish the results to listed offices.  
After examination, please return the letter and envelope to  
Portland.

Enclosed for Seattle is a copy of the B.D.  
COOPER letter and envelope.

- 3 - Bureau (AM) (RM) (Enc. 1)
- 1 - Seattle (164-81) (Info)
- 1 - Sacramento (Info)
- 1 - Las Vegas (Info)
- (2) - Portland

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_

Special Agent in Charge

DB Cooper-40648

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka  
Dan Cooper,  
Northwest Airlines Flight #305,  
Portland to Seattle,  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
(OO: Seattle)

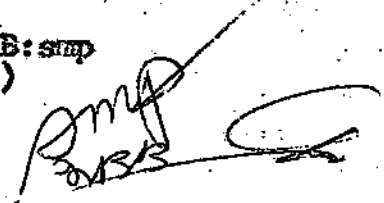
Re Portland airtel to Director, 12/6/71.

Enclosed for Seattle is copy of referenced airtel  
which was inadvertently not forwarded to Seattle.

Bureau is requested to furnish Seattle a copy of the  
D. B. COOPER letter postmarked 12/3/71.

2-Bureau  
2-Seattle (164-81) (Enc. 1)  
2-Portland

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DB Cooper-40649

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 12/8/71

FROM :

SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT:

UNSUB  
HIJACK  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

SUSPECT: JESSE EDWIN BELL

The following is a brief summary of investigation conducted re suspect JESSE EDWIN BELL:

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On 12/7/71, [REDACTED]  
furnished the following:

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]. Informant [REDACTED] met an individual identifying himself as JESSE BELL who stated he worked for the telephone company. BELL stated he was in possession of \$5,000 cash [REDACTED]. On several occasions, BELL opened his wallet and informant observed a half inch stack of bills, many bills being \$100 denominations. [REDACTED] BELL confided with informant that he was responsible for hijacking the plane in Seattle and that he parachuted from the plane in Washington with \$200,000 cash.

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Informant did not believe the story; however, at a later date observed a composite photograph of the hijacker in a newspaper and noted a strong similar appearance to BELL.

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On 12/7/71, [REDACTED] Pacific Northwest Bell, advised that JESSE EDWIN BELL is an employee of Pacific Northwest Bell and furnished the following description of BELL:

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WITNESS  
JIMMY D. [REDACTED]  
LOCAL LEAD  
Eliminated

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[REDACTED]

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Date of birth	11/17/19
Place of birth	Baltimore, Maryland
Height	5'9"-10"
Weight	Approximately 160 pounds
Hair	Dark brown, slightly graying
SSAN	578-16-553
Address	2655 Taylor Street Eugene, Oregon

[redacted] advised BELL was on vacation from 11/22 - 29, 1971. [redacted] advised that he has contacted [redacted] who has no knowledge of BELL being trained in the art of skydiving or parachuting. BELL is currently working at Springfield, Oregon, at Fourth and "A" Street, Springfield. [redacted] furnished a photograph of JESSE BELL which bears a resemblance to the composite.

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On 12/7/71, [redacted] was shown a photograph of BELL and advised this is in fact the individual who claimed responsibility for the hijacking.

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A witness in Eugene was displayed a spread of photographs on 12/8/71, and stated that the photograph of BELL bears a resemblance to the hijacker of the Northwest Airlines flight.

BELL's photograph and a negative have been mailed to Portland. It should be noted that the photographs of BELL are inadvertently made with the negative turned upside down which causes BELL's hair to appear parted on the right-hand side. The witness in Eugene noted that the hair part as it appears in the photograph is on the wrong side.

Complete details on investigation will be submitted on appropriate FD-302s and inserts.

PD 164-41

LEADS

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AT EUGENE, OREGON. Continue investigation re JESSE BELL.

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AT PORTLAND, OREGON. Display BELL's photograph to appropriate witnesses.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)

FROM : SA THOMAS J. DUGAN

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

DATE: 12/8/71

Re: [REDACTED]  
SUSPECT

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Trooper [REDACTED] Oregon State Police,  
Milwaukie, Oregon, on 12/7/71, made available the attached  
report of Lt. [REDACTED].

Trooper [REDACTED] requested that he be advised if and  
when [REDACTED] is eliminated as a suspect.

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LEAD

PORTLAND

AT PORTLAND, OREGON: Through established sources  
at Leipzig Tavern, 8051 S.E. 13th Avenue, attempt to further  
identify [REDACTED] so that he can be either identified or  
eliminated as a suspect.

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OF CR [REDACTED] + LT. [REDACTED] WERE  
ADVISED OF RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION ON 1/6/72

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[REDACTED]  
NO PD LEADS

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The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN N. CAMPBELL concerning the hijacking of Northwest Airlines Flight #305 on November 24, 1971:

On December 6, 1971, [REDACTED] Payroll Office, Multnomah County Sheriff's Office, Portland, Oregon, and [REDACTED] Personnel Division, Portland Police Department, Portland, Oregon, advised they had no record of [REDACTED] as being employed for their departments.

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On December 6, 1971, [REDACTED] Records Division, Portland Police Department, advised her records show a [REDACTED] date of birth [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised that in [REDACTED] lived at [REDACTED] [REDACTED], Portland, Oregon, and in [REDACTED] [REDACTED], Portland, Oregon. [REDACTED] advised that the following is a description of [REDACTED]

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Name	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Height	5'9"
Weight	150 pounds
FBI Number	[REDACTED]

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On December 7, 1971, Lieutenant [REDACTED] Administrative Division, Multnomah County Sheriff's Office, Portland, Oregon, advised that he had located [REDACTED] [REDACTED] date of birth [REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] as Portland Police Department advised above.

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On December 7, 1971, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Portland, Oregon, advised [REDACTED] [REDACTED] advised he does not know [REDACTED] but if [REDACTED]

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] may know something about [redacted].

On December 7, 1971, an attempt was made to locate [redacted], Northwest Airlines, Portland, Oregon, to see if he could identify [redacted] as the unknown subject. DAN COOPER. Northwest Airlines personnel advised [redacted]. An attempt was also made to see him at his home, with no success.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 12/8/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER,  
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
CAA-HIJACKING  
EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re telephone call from SA [REDACTED], 12/8/71. *INDEX*

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On 12/8/81, [REDACTED]  
Coos Bay, Oregon, advised [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], telephone [REDACTED], Springfield, Oregon had  
observed a small plane, believed to have been a Stinson 21, land  
and takeoff on a small, seldom used airport near Springfield at  
about 2:15 a.m. on 11/25/71.

[REDACTED] works [REDACTED] and is best  
contacted at home around [REDACTED]

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## LEAD PORTLAND AT SPRINGFIELD, OREGON

Contact [REDACTED] and obtain complete details con-  
cerning plane that was seen at airport near Springfield, Oregon.

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[REDACTED]

*ADVISED*  
*9:56 A.M. 12/9/71. NAB*  
*WILL WRITE INSERT*

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NR010 WA PLAIN

4:10AM URGENT 12-9-71 DCW

TO LAS VEGAS (164-60)

PORTLAND

SACRAMENTO

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM DIRECTOR (164-2111) 1P

LATENT FINGER PRINTS  
NO PD LEADS

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RE LAS VEGAS AIRTEL NOVEMBER THIRTY SEVENTYONE.

ONE LATENT FINGERPRINT DEVELOPED MESSAGE, Q TWO. (NO LATENT  
PRINTS ENVELOPE Q ONE.

LATENT PRINT NOT IDENTICAL FINGERPRINTS FOLLOWING PERSONS:

GARY EVAN JOSEPH SANDAL FBI NUMBER NINE THREE SEVEN SIX THREE

EIGHT D.

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HARRY WILLIAM CELK DOB OCTOBER THREE THIRTYFIVE,

OHIO, FINGERPRINTED BY U.S. COAST GUARD SEPTEMBER TWELVE

SIXTYONE, NUMBER ONE ONE SEVEN SIX EIGHT NAUGHT, FOR APPLICANT FOR

SEAMANS DOCUMENT. DOUGLAS COOPER, BORN APRIL TWENTYFOUR NINETEEN

TWENTYFIVE, CHESHIRE, ENGLAND.

FBI NUMBER

CONFIRMING.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 12/8/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka  
Dan Cooper  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
(OO: Seattle)

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Re memo of SA WILLIAM S. BROWN, 12/6/71.

On 12/7/71, the writer made an extensive effort to contact [REDACTED] at Tonquin, Oregon, who, according to referenced memo, might know the hijacker of the airplane in this matter. Inquiry of [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Oregon, disclosed that her son, [REDACTED], was [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] by occupation.

She further stated [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] was shown an artist's composit conception of the subject but stated that she had never seen anyone resembling this individual [REDACTED]. She also stated [REDACTED] at Tonquin.

Efforts to locate [REDACTED] were unsuccessful. [REDACTED] was contacted at this location, and he stated that [REDACTED] was [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] 12/7/71

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the writer might find him at [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

When displayed a photograph of the artist's conception of the hijacker, [REDACTED] stated that he had never seen this individual and that in his opinion, [REDACTED] had never seen any such individual. as [REDACTED] would probably state he saw [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] telephonically advised the writer that he would meet him at [REDACTED] in the afternoon of [REDACTED], but he never made the appointment. Contact with [REDACTED] disclosed that he had been unable [REDACTED] to make the appointment with the writer. He was further unable to provide any information other than what he had already furnished to SA WILLIAM S. BROWN.

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In view of the above, it is felt by the writer that this individual is an alcoholic and has no information of value to offer and therefore no further efforts will be made to contact him.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 12/9/71

FROM : SA THOMAS J. DUGAN

SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re: [REDACTED]  
SUSPECT

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Detective [REDACTED] Gresham, Oregon Police (GPD), advised on 12/8/71, that he had conducted a considerable investigation concerning [REDACTED].

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He stated he recently obtained a California Driver's License photograph of this individual and on the basis of the description and the photograph, he believed that [REDACTED] closely resembled the sketch of the Unsub which appeared in the newspapers.

He advised that [REDACTED] had been arrested sometime [REDACTED] by the Portland Police Department on a charge of [REDACTED]. He stated a better photograph of the subject could probably be located at the Identification Bureau of the PPD.

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He described [REDACTED] as follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	[REDACTED]
Hair	Brown (receding)
Eyes	Blue
Height	6'
Weight	170 pounds
California Driver's License No.	[REDACTED]

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PD 164-41

LEAD

PORTLAND

AT PORTLAND, OREGON. Will obtain photograph of [ ] at the PPD, and thereafter, exhibit to witnesses to identify or eliminate.

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PD 164-41  
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The following investigation was conducted by SA

AT PORTLAND, OREGON

On December 4, 1971, facsimile photographs of HARRY WILLIAM CELK were displayed to [redacted] Northwest Airlines, Portland International Airport. [redacted] advised that due to the poor quality of facsimile copies, he could not effect any identification.

On December 5, 1971, glossy photographs of HARRY WILLIAM CELK, previously shown to [redacted] as facsimile photographs, were displayed to him. [redacted] advised similarities between the individual using the name D. B. COOPER were noted; however, he did not believe CELK to be identical with COOPER.

HARRY WM CELK

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[redacted]

12/6/71

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (100-11)

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (100-50) (P)

RE: JAMES EARL RAY;  
Northwest Airlines, Flight 305,  
Portland to Seattle, 11/24/71  
C.R. - MURKIN; MURKIN.  
OO: Seattle

HAROLD LEE DOUGLAS  
WITNESS FOR RAY  
F. L. RAYMOND JR.

Re: airtel, 12/3/71.

Enclosed herewith for receiving office is one copy  
each of a photo of HAROLD LEE DOUGLAS, Solano County, California,  
Sheriff's Office [redacted] Two copies of this photo  
being furnished Seattle.

There should be displayed to appropriate witnesses.

3-Seattle (Enc. 2)  
1-Las Vegas (Enc. 1)  
1-Portland (Enc. 1)  
1-San Francisco (Enc. 1)  
2-Birmingham

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*Harold Lee Dowell*



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20537

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*J. Edgar Hoover*  
Director.

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
USM Wash DC	Ralph Vincent Galope #Cr-621-65	6-10-64	Viol Sec 1341 T-18-USC	10-21-66 ISS 3 yrs prob on chg of Mail Fra
Arlington Co Pol Arlington Va	Ralph Vincent Galope #A-249911	12-21-65	Fail to Ret Auto in Acc with Bail	
Montgomery Co PD Rockville Md	Ralph Vincent Galope #20410	12-21-65	L of auto	12-21-65 turns over to Prince George's Co for prosecution on chg of warrant for larc of car
PD Wash DC	Ralph Vincent Galope #212676	1-24-67	unpaid board bill	
PD Cleveland Ohio	Ralph Vincent Galope #136037	12-6-69	defrauding Innkeeper	
SO Cleveland Ohio	Reed Rex Adams #59161	12-9-69	def innkeeper	\$200. F susd das W/h 2-9-70
H Of C Cleveland Ohio	Reed B Adams #726/70	2-11-70	Def Innkeeper	90 das \$66.00
SO Cleveland Ohio	Ralph Galope #59161	5-20-70	prob viol (orig chge: mail fraud fail to report	DB Cooper-40665 164-41-3311

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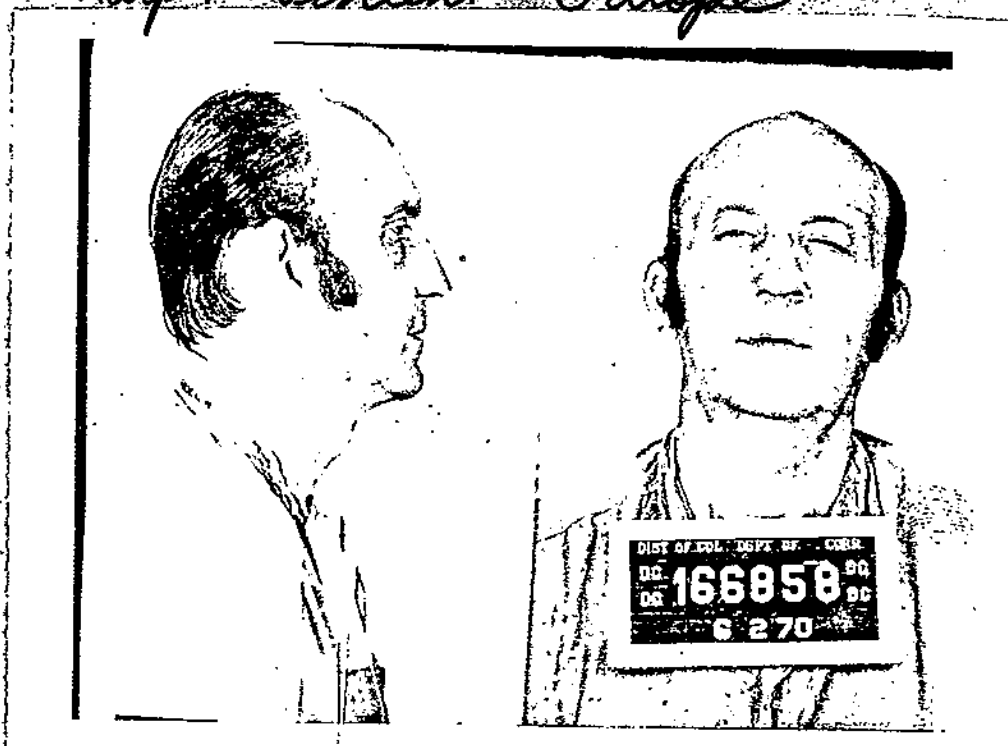
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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
DC Jail Wash DC	Ralph Galape #166858	6-2-70	USM Hold	NI
* DC Jail Wash DC	Ralph Vincent Galope #166858	1-15-71  1/27/71	prob viol	NI personal rec
				DB Cooper-40666

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John Edgar Hoover

Ralph Vincent Galope



W. L. VINCENT GALOPE

12/7/71

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, WFO (164-169)(CP)

UNSUB; aka  
Dan Cooper,  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305,  
Portland to Seattle,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
(OO:SE)

RALPH VINCENT GALOPE  
WITNESSES AT P+LD  
ELIMINATED

ReSEteletype to WFO, MP, and PD, dated 12/7/71.

Enclosed for each receiving office is one photo  
of suspect RALPH VINCENT GALOPE along with one xerox copy  
of his FBI record.

LEADS

MINNEAPOLIS AND PORTLAND: Immediately display photo to  
witnesses and advise Seattle and WFO of results.

UNSUB DANGEROUS

2-Seattle (Enc. 2)  
2-Minneapolis (164-73) (Enc. 2)  
②-Portland (164-41) (Enc. 2)  
1-WFO

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Date: 12/8/71

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Priority)

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka  
Dan Cooper  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

Re Portland teletype to Seattle, dated 11/30/71.

On December 6, 1971, Sheriff BILL CLOSNER, Skamania County, Washington, advised that [REDACTED] resides near [REDACTED], Washington, and is employed at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] described [REDACTED] as white male, approximately [REDACTED] years old, 5' 10", 170, olive complexion, generally fitting composite description. He added that [REDACTED]

On December 1, 1971, [REDACTED] was developed as a suspect in captioned matter.

(2) - Portland  
2 - Seattle  
NDS:bfr  
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

SE 164-81

On December 3, 1971, [redacted] Vancouver Police Department, Vancouver, Washington, advised that her records revealed [redacted], born [redacted], white male, 5' 10½", 160 pounds, brown hair and eyes, [redacted] Multnomah County Sheriff's Office, Portland, Oregon.

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LEADS:

PORTLAND

AT PORTLAND, OREGON Conduct appropriate investigation [redacted] to determine if [redacted] is identical to unsub.

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2. Procure photograph of [redacted] at Multnomah Co. SO for elimination purposes.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

NR003 SE PLAIN

12:53PM URGENT 12/9/71 VAB

TO PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 2P

NORJAK

1. *Memo from Airport*
2. *Auto Rental Agencies*
3. *Airport Security Hq. Bldg.*
4. *Luggage Service*
5. *Rest. Coffee Shop & Lounges*

IF NOT ALREADY INSTITUTED BY PORTLAND, THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED IN AN EFFORT TO BACKTRACK ON THE HIJACKER IN THIS CASE.

ONE: A CANVAS OF THE MOTELS IN THE VICINITY OF THE AIRPORT, DISPLAYING THE ORIGINAL ARTIST'S SKETCH IN WHICH HE WORE GLASSES AND THE REVISED SKETCH WHICH WILL BE FURNISHED TO THE FIELD SHORTLY, SHOWING THE HIJACKER WITHOUT GLASSES. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE SUBJECT STAYED AT ONE OF THE MOTELS BEFORE THE FLIGHT.

TWO: CONTACT THE AUTO RENTAL AGENCIES, SUCH AS HERTZ AND AVIS, AND DISPLAY THE SKETCHES TO THEM ON THE OFF CHANCE THAT THE SUBJECT MIGHT HAVE TURNED IN A RENTAL UNIT ON NOVEMBER TWENTYTHREE OR TWENTYFOUR LAST, OR IN THE IMMEDIATE TIME AREA.

END PAGE ONE

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THREE: CHECK WITH AIRPORT SECURITY FOR ANY POSSIBLE CARS PARKED AT THE AIRPORT THAT HAVE BEEN THERE FOR SUCH A PERIOD OF TIME AS THEY MIGHT BE CONSIDERED AS A SUSPECT VEHICLE IN THE HI-JACK.

FOUR: CONTACT THE COMPANY OPERATING THE LIMOUSINE SERVICE TO AND FROM THE AIRPORT AND HAVE THE SKETCHES DISPLAYED TO EACH DRIVER ON THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE SUBJECT MIGHT HAVE TAKEN A BUS OR LIMOUSINE TO THE AIRPOR.

FIVE: DISPLAY THE SKETCHES IN THE RESTAURANT, COFFEE SHOP AND LOUNGES AT THE AIRPORT.

END

LJQ

REC OK FBI PORTLAND CLR TU

NR 006 SF PLAIN

1:40 PM URGENT 12/9/71 MCC

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) 1P

SUSPECT:

NORJAK.

NO ACTION

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SAN FRANCISCO

RE DENVER TELETYPE TO PORTLAND AND SEATTLE, DECEMBER SEVEN  
LAST, AND PORTLAND TELETYPE TO DENVER AND SAN FRANCISCO DECEMBER  
EIGHT LAST.

RE SUSPECT

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CALIFORNIA ADVISED THAT

HAS NOT BEEN SEEN BY IN NEARLY  
BUT WAS DESCRIBED AS SIX FEET, ONE HUNDRED SIXTYSEVEN  
POUNDS, AGE  
BLACK HAIR. NUMEROUS PHOTOGRAPHS OF WERE FURNISHED,  
NONE OF WHICH RESEMBLE COMPOSITE DRAWING OF UNSUB.

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SHOULD SEATTLE DEEM IT NECESSARY TO INTERVIEW

IT WAS ADVISED THAT HE RESIDES

PORTLAND, OREGON, PHONE

END

FBI PORTLAND GEO CLR

DB Cooper-40673

164-41-335

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 6, 1971

Corporal [redacted] Oregon State Police (OSP), was telephonically contacted at his office and provided the following information:

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On December 3, 1971, about 4 p.m., he recovered a parachute from a ponderosa pine tree on Rigdon Main Road about 25 miles south of Oakridge. The writing on the parachute indicated that it was a weather type parachute. The letters on the parachute were "RADIO-SONDE" with number F4-0096HR and indicated it was a weather type instrument package.

*PARACHUTE*

On 12/3/71 at Eugene, Oregon File # PD 164-41-336

by SA [redacted] : jmp Date dictated 12/4/71

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SE 164-81

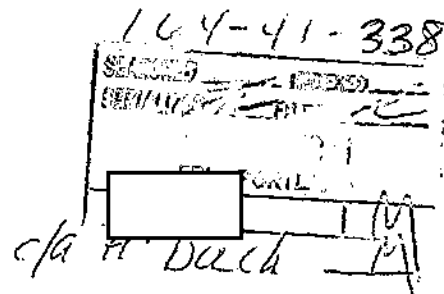
PD 164-41

DWM:jmp

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On December 3, 1971, [redacted], North Albany, Oregon, advised SA [redacted] that on November 24, 1971, at sometime between 7:30 and 8 p.m., she heard a jet plane fly over [redacted] with the engines obviously straining. Approximately 30 minutes after hearing the jet, she heard a helicopter in the area. [redacted] specifically recalled that she had heard the jet prior to 8 p.m., in that she had been watching a particular television program.

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Portland, Oregon

December 8, 1971

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, also known as  
Dan Cooper, Northwest Airlines Flight #305,  
Portland to Seattle, November 24, 1971

"The Daily Telegraph", a London, England, newspaper, contained an article on May 28, 1971, on Page 4, describing a plot by an unknown subject using the name "Mr. Brown". This individual hoaxed the Qantas Airline at the Sydney International Airport, apparently in Australia, into paying 235,000 pounds ransom money after a bomb threat. The aircraft involved was a Boeing 707 Airliner. "Mr. Brown" is not described in the article, but an "Identikit" picture of him bears a resemblance to an artist's sketch of an unknown subject who hijacked an airliner between Portland, Oregon, and Seattle, Washington, on November 24, 1971, and extorted \$200,000 from Northwest Orient Airlines. This individual is described as white male, 6'1" tall, 170-175 pounds, age-mid-forties, olive complexion, brown eyes, black hair, conventional cut, parted on left; slender build.

6-Bureau (164-2111)  
1-Seattle (164-81)  
1-Portland (164-41)

NBB:smp  
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*5/3/72*  
*ALP*  
*[Signature]*

*164-211-340*

LEADS

Will obtain disposition of the case relating to "Mr. Brown" and the Qantas Airline in May, 1971.

Will obtain description of "Mr. Brown".

Will attempt to determine if "Mr. Brown" could have been in the United States, particularly in the Seattle, Washington, Portland, Oregon, region during November, 1971. The Northwest Orient Airlines hijacking took place on November 24, 1971.

12/8/71

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka  
Dan Cooper,  
Northwest Airlines Flight #305,  
Portland to Seattle, 11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
(OO: Seattle)

QANTAS AIRLINES  
HOAX

Enclosed for the Bureau are six copies of a letter-head memorandum dated 12/8/71, setting out information re a hoax concerning the Qantas Airline where an unsub obtained 235,000 pounds in May, 1971. Also enclosed is Page 4 of The Daily Telegraph, a London, England, newspaper.

One copy of the news article contained on Page 4 of the newspaper and one copy of the LHM are being forwarded to Seattle Office.

The news item was furnished by [redacted]  
[redacted] by undated letter received 12/7/71.

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2-Bureau (Encs. 7)  
2-Seattle (Encs. 2)  
2-Portland

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164-41-341

DB Cooper-40681

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P) DATE: 12/8/71

FROM : SA THOMAS C. DUGAN

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

Sergeant [redacted], Oregon State Police, Milwaukie, Oregon, advised on 12/7/71 that [redacted], Oregon City, Oregon, advised him that he believed one [redacted] could possibly be identical to the Unsub.

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Lt. [redacted] advised that [redacted] concurred that [redacted] looked similar to the sketch of the Unsub which appeared in the newspaper. [redacted] related that [redacted] told him that [redacted]

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He said he had recently had contact with [redacted] and was able to reach him through telephone [redacted]. He advised that [redacted]. He described [redacted] as a white male, 6 feet, 175 pounds, [redacted], brown eyes and black hair.

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## LEAD

### PORTLAND

AT BEAVERTON, OREGON: Will, through telephone [redacted], attempt to further identify [redacted]. Also consider attempting to identify him through MVD records.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

DB Cooper-40682



DB Cooper-40683

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Date:

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(Priority)

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SEATTLE AT OLYMPIA AND WOODLAND, WASHINGTON. WILL CHECK OUT  
CLARKE AND [ ] AS SUSPECTS NOTING THAT DRIVER'S LICENSE  
PROBABLY BELONGS TO PASSENGER AND NOT TO INDIVIDUAL RESEMBLING  
UNSUB.

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CLARKE WAS PARKED ~~DURING PERIOD~~  
11/16/71 ~~11/28/71~~.

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[ ] WAS PARKED [ ]

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

DB Cooper-40684

F B I

Date: 12/9/71

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Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE ~~WIRE~~ **URGENT**  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR (164-2111)  
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

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REBUAIRTEL DECEMBER SEVEN LAST.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO FORWARD TWO HUNDRED FIFTY  
COPIES OF RANSOM LIST TO PORTLAND AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 2:20 p M Per [Signature]

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Date: 12/9/71

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Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT  
(Priority)

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

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SUMMARY TELETYPE

INVESTIGATION IN PORTLAND TERRITORY HAS PRODUCED NO POSITIVE  
INFORMATION TO DATE. - P -

① - Portland

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(1) *WJ*

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Approved: *[Signature]*

Special Agent in Charge

Sent

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Per

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Date: 12/9/71

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT  
(Priority)

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 1 P

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INSTANT DATE, FOUR ZERO FIVE PM, [REDACTED]

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD, PORTLAND, OREGON, TELEPHONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] EXTENSION [REDACTED], ADVISED THAT ANONYMOUS SOURCE CONTACTED HIM AND STATED ONE [REDACTED], WF, IN HER [REDACTED], WHO LIVES IN [REDACTED], WASHINGTON, HAD FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING:

[REDACTED] NO OTHER DESCRIPTION, IS THE SKYJACKER AND WAS IN PORTLAND AREA AT THE TIME OF THE EVENT AND FITS THE DESCRIPTION.

SOURCE HAD IMPRESSION [REDACTED]

SEATTLE AT [REDACTED] WASHINGTON. CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION RE ABOVE.

1-Portland

KBM:smp  
(1)Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in ChargeSent 4 35 P M Per L

DB Cooper-40687

NR019 LA PLAIN

6:18 PM URGENT 12-9-71 DCB

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

PORTLAND (164-41)

KANSAS CITY

SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 4P

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No PD LEADS

RE SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DATED DECEMBER  
EIGHT, LAST.

SUBJECTS: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
ON DECEMBER EIGHT, LAST, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AND NO KNOWN ASSOCIATES OR TIES IN

LOS ANGELES AREA.

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PURPOSE OR DETAILS OF  
TRIP, UNKNOWN.

SHE STATES [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

REVIEW OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE RECORDS  
REVEALS NINETEEN FIFTY TWO RED FORD S/W, CALIFORNIA LICENSE

[REDACTED]

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WAS ABANDONED NOVEMBER SIX, LAST, IN [REDACTED], CALIFORNIA.  
CAR IMPOUNDED AND OWNER, IDENTITY UNKNOWN, MADE NO EFFORT TO  
RECOVER. SEARCH OF VEHICLE BY BUREAU AGENTS ON DECEMBER EIGHT,  
LAST, FAILED TO DEVELOP ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION.  
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REINTERVIEW OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] WHEREABOUTS. [REDACTED] NOT KNOWN IN CONTACT [REDACTED]

SINCE NOVEMBER SIX, LAST.

INVESTIGATION AT GREYHOUND BUS DEPOT, SAN FERNANDO,  
CALIFORNIA, [REDACTED]  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, FAILED TO DEVELOP ADDITIONAL INFOR-  
MATION REGARDING [REDACTED].

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JOB APPLICATIONS OF FORMER EMPLOYMENTS OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], REVEALED [REDACTED], A WHITE MALE, BORN  
[REDACTED], SIX FEET, ONE FIFTY FIVE  
POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, AND EYES, WITH SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER OF  
[REDACTED]. NCIC  
NEGATIVE.

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[REDACTED] EMPLOYED AT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], CALIFORNIA, ASSOCIATE OF [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], COULD FURNISH NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

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NAME OF [REDACTED] AND ARTISTS' CONCEPTION OF UNKNOWN  
SUBJECT, UNKNOWN TO ANYONE INTERVIEWED AND NO ONE IDENTIFIED  
AS BEING ASSOCIATED WITH PARACHUTING.

KANSAS CITY AT [REDACTED], SU INTERVIEW [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], FOR INFORMATION REGARDING HIS WHERE-  
ABOUTS AND DETERMINE ADDRESS OF [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED].

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INVESTIGATION AT LOS ANGELES CONTINUING.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

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FBI PORTLAND CLR

NR006 MP PLAIN

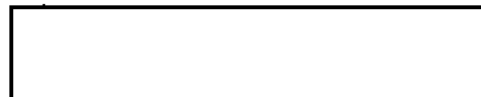
722PM NITEL 12-9-71 AGL

TO LOS ANGELES

PORTLAND 164-41

SEATTLE 164-81

FROM MINNEAPOLIS 164-73 3P



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UNSUB, AKA D.B. COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE  
ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, LAST;  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO LOS ANGELES DECEMBER EIGHT,  
LAST.

ON DECEMBER NINE, INSTANT, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED], MINNEAPOLIS, ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] RETAINS

[REDACTED] AS A MAILING ADDRESS ONLY.

[REDACTED] MAIL TO HIM ONCE A WEEK TO AN

ADDRESS DESIGNATED BY HIM. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MAIL TO [REDACTED]

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*Lead*  
*W. J. Dugan*

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[REDACTED]  
LAST. [REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]; HOWEVER, SHE DOES NOT KNOW WHAT  
TYPE OF BUSINESS HE IS ASSOCIATED WITH.

[REDACTED] FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION BASED  
ON [REDACTED]:

HEIGHT - FIVE FEET TEN

WEIGHT - TWO HUNDRED POUNDS

HAIR - BROWN, MEDIUM LENGTH

AGE - EARLY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADDRESSES THAT ARE  
FREQUENTLY USED BY [REDACTED]:

[REDACTED], CALIFORNIA,  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

CALIFORNIA;

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PORTLAND AT WEST LINN, OREGON, CONDUCT INVESTIGATION

TO DETERMINE IF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE IDENTITY OF OCCUPANT OF  
NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE OLDSMOBILE, CALIFORNIA LICENSE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], ON DECEMBER THREE, LAST, AT PORTLAND  
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

PENDING.

END

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*PH 11  
WEST LINN*

12/9/71

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK

INSURANCE POLICIES

Re Portland teletype to Omaha and Seattle, 12/8/71.

Enclosed for Seattle are 38 copies of applications for insurance which were obtained at the Portland International Airport (PIA).

[redacted] Northwest Airlines, PIA, advised on 12/9/71, that about 126 flights leave PIA each day.

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The enclosed insurance applications do not indicate a flight number or the name of the airline, and it is not possible to determine from the application itself what flight the passenger took.

<sup>TERRITORY</sup>  
Portland will check the applications of those individuals residing in the Portland ~~area~~ through the current directories to determine their occupation and verify addresses shown on the applications.

If additional investigation of the applicants is believed warranted, Seattle will advise Portland.

2-Seattle (Encs. 38)  
2-Portland

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164-41-347

FBI

Date: 12/3/71

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
 FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (164-88) (P)  
 SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
 NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
 11/24/71  
 QAA - HIJACKING  
 OO: SEATTLE

HARRY WM CELK

RE SUSPECT HARRY WILLIAM CELK, aka  
 Eric Celk.

Re Cleveland teletype to Bureau, 12/3/71.

Enclosed for each receiving office are two copies  
 each of four photos of captioned suspect taken 6/69.

- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 8)
- 1 - Seattle (INFO) (164-81)
- 2 - Butte (Enc. 8)
- ② - Portland (Enc. 8)
- 2 - Phoenix (Enc. 8)
- 2 - Cleveland

PHOTOS OF CELK SHOWN  
 TO PWD WITNESSES 12/5/71.  
 PD TEL TO DIR + SE 12/5/71.

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Special Agent in Charge

DB Cooper-40696

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Date: 12/7/71

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Priority)

TO : SAC, ALBANY

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka

Dan Cooper  
 NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
 PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
 11/24/71  
 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
 OO: Seattle

INSTRUCTIONS

BACKGROUND INFO

Reference Seattle letter to Albany dated 11/30/71.

Referenced letter sets forth background information concerning captioned matter and indicates that the pertinent area of time involved is between 2:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. on November 24, 1971, which was the day before Thanksgiving. When information is developed indicating a possible suspect in this matter, offices are requested to determine the whereabouts of the suspects during the pertinent period of time and if this can be done readily, no further investigation is necessary. If this cannot be done readily, glossy photographs should be obtained and forwarded with copies to Minneapolis, Portland and Seattle for display to witnesses at those locations.

If this does not resolve the involvement of the suspect, leads will then be set forth to establish his whereabouts at the pertinent time. These leads should all be covered as quickly as possible.

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SE 164-81

It is requested that all communications regarding this matter have sub-captions listing the name of the suspect to which the communication relates, listing the sub-caption at the top of the communication setting it forth as RE: \_\_\_\_\_ (listing the name of the suspect). Offices are further requested to limit communications to one suspect per communication for the purpose of simplifying the administration by the office of origin.

THIS INDIVIDUAL IS BEING SOUGHT IN CONNECTION WITH THE EXTORTION OF \$200,000 FROM NORTHWEST AIRLINES BY THREATENING THE CREW OF THE AIRLINE WITH A PACKAGE WHICH HE STATED CONTAINED A BOMB. HE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.



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1019 S.W. 10TH AVENUE

PORTLAND, OREGON 97205

503/227-3484

**kpOk**  
RADIO

December 1 & 2, 1971

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The following is an editorial representing the opinion of KPOK.

Much news of late has been devoted to the recent airline hijacking between Portland and Seattle. Many have marvelled at the skill of the daredevil who schemed this crime. Some even have gone so far as to say they would like the hijacker to succeed ... to escape justice. Apparently these people have let their emotions get caught up in the hoopla of this bizarre plot, and the dreams of easy money.

[redacted] says, "The hijacker has won the public's admiration through an awesome feat in the battle of man against the machine ... one individual overcoming, for the time being anyway, technology, the corporation, the establishment, the system."

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That may be so, but lest we forget the facts of the case, this hijacker did commit a crime ... a serious crime. What's more, he jeopardized the safety of 42 other persons aboard that jetliner, and took something that did not belong to him. As one local FBI agent put it, "Some people may think this is funny, but they won't be laughing if it happens again. It could give other criminals ideas, and this we surely don't need."

We hope law enforcement officers apprehend this hijacker soon, and we urge the public to cooperate with clues, or in any other way, that will see this person is held to answer for his crime.

Your contrary views are invited.

Address your comments to:

[redacted]  
Editorials  
1019 S. W. 10th Avenue  
Portland, Oregon 97205

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537



## REPORT

of the

## IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

## LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. 164-81  
 FBI FILE NO. 164-2111  
 LATENT CASE NO. A-45410

December 7, 1971

TO: SAC, Seattle

UNSUB.;

NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305

RE: PORTLAND TO SEATTLE

11-24-71

CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

REFERENCE: Letter 11-29-71  
 EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Seattle  
 SPECIMENS: Three paper items

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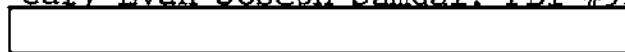
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Twenty-four latent fingerprints and five latent palm prints of value developed specimens. One latent fingerprint made by tip area of finger and one latent fingerprint made by lower joint area of finger.

Twenty-three latent fingerprints not identical fingerprints following persons, whose palm prints are not contained Identification Division files:

Gary Evan Joseph Samdal. FBI #937638D



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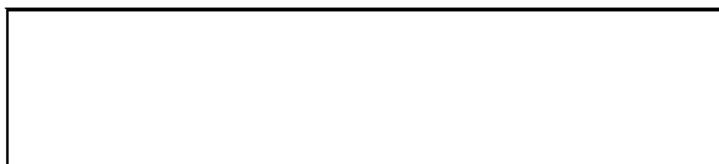
*J. Edgar Hoover*  
 John Edgar Hoover, Director

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SAC, Seattle

December 7, 1971



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Douglas Cooper, born 4-24-25, Cheshire, England  
Harry William Celk, born 10-3-35, Ohio, finger-  
printed 9-12-61 by U. S. Coast Guard, Washington,  
D. C., their #117680, as applicant for seamans  
document

Latent print made by lower joint area of finger  
compared available prints these persons, but no identifi-  
cation effected. Inked prints lower joint areas of fingers  
needed for conclusive comparisons.

Aforementioned latent prints also compared eli-  
mination prints of flight crew, which were previously sub-  
mitted by Minneapolis Division, but no identification  
effected. These elimination prints being retained Latent  
Fingerprint Section for comparison latent prints in possible  
future submissions this case.

Specimens enclosed.

This report supplements and confirms Butel of  
12-3-71.

Photographic negative of specimen bearing hand-  
writing retained our files.

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Transmit in \_\_\_\_\_ Via Airtel  
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Date 12/7/71

TO: SAC, Albany  
LEGATS Ottawa  
Mexico City

FROM: Director, FBI (164-2111)

"CHANGED"

NORJAK

The title is marked "Changed" to reflect the code word "NORJAK" to facilitate the handling of the numerous communications in connection with this investigation. This matter was formerly captioned, "Unsub; Northwest Airlines Flight 305, 11/24/71, CAA - Hijacking. 00: Seattle." All offices are instructed to use the code word "NORJAK" in all communications in this investigation.

In connection with the additional dissemination of the ransom list already furnished the field, all offices are instructed to further disseminate this list on any basis considered practical and appropriately advise the Bureau and office of origin of any positive information developed. The loot in this matter consists entirely of \$20 bills and it is questionable that large banks and bank-type institutions would effectively screen their \$20 bills due to the volume of this type of bill that would be handled.

All offices should insure that the composite drawing of the unknown subject is thoroughly disseminated to parachute clubs and associated groups with particular attention being

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Airtel to SAC, Albany  
LEGATS Ottawa  
Mexico City

Re: NORJAK

given to individuals named Cooper whose description fits that of the unknown subject. All leads in this matter are to receive immediate and extensive investigative attention and are to be set out by telephone and confirmed by teletype. Keep the Bureau and the Seattle Office currently advised of all pertinent developments.

Consider the unknown subject dangerous.

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SE 164-81  
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The following investigation was conducted by  
SAs [ ] and THOMAS J. DUGAN:

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AT TROUTDALE, OREGON.

On December 6, 1971, [ ]  
[ ] was  
contacted at his residence, [ ] concerning  
[ ] observation of what appeared to be "parachutes."  
[ ] pointed out the area where he observed the  
"parachutes." SA [ ] conducted a ground search of the  
area with negative results.

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On December 7, 1971, an aerial search of this  
area was conducted by SAs [ ] and DUGAN with negative  
results.

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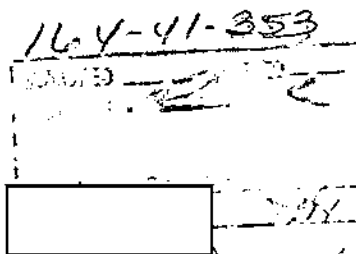
[ ]  
[ ] stated that [ ]  
[ ]  
[ ] Neither [ ]  
nor [ ] could offer an explanation for the negative results  
of the ground and aerial searches.

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[ ] stated that he would continue to observe  
the area and would contact the FBI immediately upon making  
any further sightings.

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In view of the above, no further investigation is  
being conducted.



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*c/a Himmelsbach*

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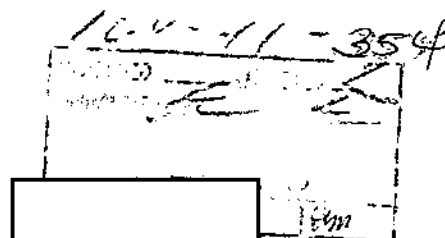
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On December 3, 1971, [redacted] "Oregon Journal" [redacted] telephonically contacted SA RONALD E. SHERK and suggested that [redacted] Oregon, looks very similar to the artist's conception of the hijacker. [redacted] advised [redacted] [redacted] Portland, Oregon.

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On December 6, 1971, [redacted] advised that on the night of November 24, 1971, he was in [redacted] Medford, Oregon, and produced a receipt for the night's lodging. [redacted] from Portland to Medford on November 24, 1971, and returned to Portland on November 25, 1971. [redacted] accompanied him on the trip.

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*c/a Himmelsbach*

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 7, 1971

JAMES DEWITT RANKIN, 13417 S. E. Wabash Street, Milwaukie, Oregon, telephone 659-5910 was interviewed at his residence and furnished the following information:

RANKIN advised he is currently employed as a cytonologist technician at the Cytonology Reference Laboratories, 2905 S. E. Oak Grove Boulevard Milwaukie, Oregon.

[redacted], Portland, Oregon. RANKIN is a former paratrooper and was a member of the 308th Parachute Infantry Unit with the 82nd Airborne Division of the U. S. Army. He has approximately 25 parachute jumps to his credit. He has not parachuted since 1945 which is the year he received his discharge from the U. S. Army. He has an interest in parachuting, however, he has not made any jumps since in the military because [redacted] he felt it would affect his insurance rates.

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RANKIN worked at his laboratory until 5:00, the day of November 24, 1971, and spent the entire evening and the following day with one [redacted], whose residence is [redacted] Milwaukie, Oregon. They spent Thanksgiving Day at the Oregon coast.

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The following description was obtained through observation and interview:

Name	JAMES DEWITT RANKIN
Alias	Jim
Address	13417 S. E. Wabash Milwaukie, Oregon
Telephone	659-5910
Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	50
Date of Birth	November 13, 1921

On 12/1/71 at Milwaukie, Oregon File # PD 164-41-355  
SA [redacted] and  
SA [redacted] VCLH:tam 12/3/71  
 by [signature] Date dictated

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Place of Birth  
Eyes  
Hair

Roseburg, Oregon

Blue

Reddish brown, turning gray  
near sideburns, parted on the  
right, bushy sideburns  
extending to the lower part of  
the ear

Complexion

Medium

Height

6'

Weight

170 pounds

Build

Medium

Scars and marks

Appendectomy scar

Marital status

Wife

Social Security

Number

542-18-5830

Occupation

Cytologist

U. S. Any

Number

393 1 8893

Arrest record

None

Characteristic

Wears prescription dark rimmed  
glasses

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [REDACTED]

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AT PORTLAND, OREGON

The following individuals were contacted  
at their respective departments on the dates indicated  
and no record was located which was identifiable with  
JAMES DEWITT RANKIN.

December 2, 1971, [REDACTED], Records,  
Multnomah County Sheriff's Office, Portland,  
Oregon

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[REDACTED], Records, Portland Police Department,  
Portland, Oregon

December 2, 1971, [REDACTED],  
Credit Bureau Metro, Portland, Oregon

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (146-41)(P)

DATE: 12/8/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

On 12/8/71 Sheriff WOODY JONES, Polk County, telephonically advised the writer that approximately four days prior to the hijacking of the above flight, he had talked with [REDACTED] both of Dallas, Oregon. They had advised JONES that they had observed a skydiver in the vicinity of Interstate 5 and the Wilsonville exit, descending in an orange parachute after dark.

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LEAD:

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DALLAS, ORE.

AT POLK COUNTY SO. OREGON: Will contact Sheriff WOODY JONES and determine the addresses for [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and, if appropriate, interview thereafter.

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SALEM RA - DALLAS  
CONTACT [REDACTED]

WILL CONTACT [REDACTED]

SEE SER 367 A

AND CALL BACK

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② - Portland

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

DB Cooper-40710

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 12/9/71

FROM : SA THOMAS G. ACKERMAN

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Hijacking of Northwest  
Airlines  
Portland, Oregon  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

Re Springfield, Oregon, Police Department report dated 11/28/71, (serial number 140).

Negative attempts were made to contact [redacted] [redacted] Junction City, Oregon, on 12/2,3,6/71.

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On 12/7/71, [redacted] Junction City, Oregon, advised that [redacted] who so far as she knows [redacted] in the Longview, Washington, area. She stated that the suggestion that he might be the unknown hijacker is ridiculous. She stated that [redacted] is approximately [redacted] years of age, however, is well over 6'4" in height, has a slender build, she estimates he weighs approximately 170-175 pounds. She stated he does drink moderately, but could in no way be considered to an alcoholic. To the best of her knowledge [redacted]

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She stated she does not know if he was working over the Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

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[redacted] stated she has seen artists drawing of the hijacker and they looked nothing like [redacted] explained that [redacted]

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[redacted] added that to the best of her knowledge  
[redacted] has never jumped out of an airplane, and she

[redacted]

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No further investigation is being conducted in Eugene, Oregon, regarding this matter.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (164-41) P

DATE: 12/9/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Hijacking of Northwest  
Airlines Flight 305,  
Portland to Seattle,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING  
EXTORTION

Re memo of SA [REDACTED], 12/1/71.

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The following investigation was conducted by SAs  
[REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

## AT PORTLAND, OREGON

On 12/1/71, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED] stated she did not recog-  
nize the artist's conception of the person who hijacked  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305 on 11/24/71. She stated the  
artist's conception did not resemble [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] who lives [REDACTED].

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[REDACTED] stated [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], Washington,  
telephone [REDACTED]. She said he was in his red Dodge Charger,  
two-door, year unknown, which has Oregon license plates.

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She stated [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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*[Signature]*



[redacted] stated she would ask [redacted] to call the interviewing agents when he returned to Portland. She described him as follows:

Name	[redacted]
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	[redacted]
POB	[redacted]
Height	5'11 - 6'
Build	Slender
Hair	Light brown
Eyes	Blue-gray
Characteristics	Wears glasses: [redacted]
	[redacted]

As of 12/9/71, [redacted] has not ~~xx~~ contacted the interviewing agents. In view of the fact writer is assigned full-time to a fisur, no attempt is being made to contact [redacted]. In view of [redacted], it is being left to the discretion of the case agent whether to contact him.

*Due to* [redacted] *No*  
*FURTHER ACTION IS BEING TAKEN*  
*W3B*

*CHECK WITH MVR 12/29/71 RE* [redacted]  
 [redacted] *WAS NEGATIVE. W3B*

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WM W. TIRRELL  
1928 W. BURNSIDE (E109)  
PORTLAND, ORE 97209

FBI Agent in Charge  
Portland, Ore

Sir: As a "senior citizen" I have time to think, so I've  
put down a few suggestions for your search of hijacker  
"D. B. Cooper" — that may stimulate you.

1. Obviously this man had a strong need for his act.
  - (a) possibly a gambling debt,
  - (b) a threat from the Crime Syndicate,
  - (c) something else that was important to him.
2. This man might, because of his olive skin, be protected by  
Spanish-American migrants.
  - (a) possibly the Chavez govt. sponsor of help,
  - (b) smuggled to Mexico in a private plane?
3. The reported letters from him to local newspapers are  
probably phony. Why?
  - (a) he had iron self-control.
  - (b) he has probably gone sideways, mistaken and wear a wig  
now. His eyeglasses probably had plain glass "lenses".
  - (c) his planning was perfect.
  - (d) I don't see him as violator of his act, by throwing  
money around in public. It is inconsistent.
  - (e) He either had an accomplice (man) who picked him up in  
a car — or else he was a loner.
  - (f) he probably was in a Portland hideout, before the plane  
landed in Reno. He may still be there.
    - (1) More likely a house, not an apartment (houses) offer  
less contact with other people and it could be  
well stocked with food, while he grew hair.

DB Cooper-40716

~~Just~~ The newspaper "composite drawing" of him tells the public little. A profile of his face would tell more. So would such indications as his voice-tone (high or low register), his walk too (particularly how he used his arms in walking), then his stance (was he erect, or slumped over) when he bought his ticket. Did he ride the airport bus, or go by private car? If the latter, he had an accomplice. I don't see the latter as a woman for women talk too much. He probably has no arrest record & is ~~not~~ <sup>an</sup> ex-convict. He might have a record in the Vets Admin from the Korean War period. With facial hair grown, he might pass for a Jew. The money could have been for buying drugs to "saturate" Portland. It is possible, though unlikely, that he is an accepted member of a business firm — or even owner of one that faced a shortage. As such, his associates might (unknowingly) protect him because they cannot conceive him as anything but respectable. Could he be a professional man?

You probably have clues from those who observed him when he took his parachute training. Was this in a school? Or did he learn in the Air Force?

Most people who are still in the work force, or are employed or self-employed are too busy with their own problems to make observations on people in public. We older people have the time, but few of us are trained observers.

I hope you catch him.

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Concluding, I've a hunch that "D.B. Cooper" hijacking may be imitated possibly in the ~~Spring~~ Spring, and unlikely out here on the West Coast. This suggests that all parachute ~~training~~ training schools from now on should ~~thoroughly~~ thoroughly investigate new applicants. The next "Cooper" might be younger, possibly a Vietnam veteran of the Air Force. Why? Because (1) more recent experience and (2) tougher. (It is not many people who can dive out of a plane at anytime — even to save their lives if the plane caught on fire.)

There was <sup>possibly</sup> something in their man's behavior that those who saw him (ticket seller, airline hostess) still know, but don't realize they do, or believe unimportant. Did "Cooper" differ from most passengers in any way at all — more friendly, more talkative, etc etc etc. Could he once have been an employee of the airline he hijacked?

Many ~~people~~ <sup>people</sup> have creative ideas of protecting airplanes from just such an act as "Cooper's", but who can copyrights an idea? And payment for a good idea would be little if anything. So creative ideas die a-borning. I've such an idea, but wouldn't offer it direct even if asked. Perhaps through a "mind tank" like RAND. I might give my suggestion. The latter would know if worthwhile (and see payment was fitting). But I consider this a longshot — a pipe dream!!

DB Cooper-40718

As a veteran, and an American whose ancestry dates in America to 1610 — I hope you catch this criminal.  
W. W. Terrett

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Los Angeles, California  
December 8, 1971.

F. B. I.  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Friends:

I promised I wouldn't drop you any more letters in regard to the missing plane hijacker for the \$200,000. but I weakened again this morning-Wed. the 8th of December. I don't suppose you mind either if I can supply information that might help you. I guess I have written about seven letters in all and most of them are supposition, but still I am a spiritual man in a way and words that have kept coming thru me may be helpful in the case. If you put all the words together side by side they sure make sense and fit together some way like a cross word puzzle. I think you will find this true in the end. The trouble with me is I am impulsive and try to work too hard on a case and might get things all balled up in my own mind. I relaxed monday and tuesday and was going to forget the case, but tuesday nite, that was last nite I was thinking again of the case and decided to put the parts together again or try to fit in the pieces. It was good for me to relax from the case, because I contacted my guardian angel yesterday and I haven't been contacting her of late and she is very seldom wrong. I remember she contacted me at the first of the case and said 'he never made it' 'he never made it. That would mean he is dead someplace in a field. I heard the world field.

I was thinking last nite if I were the man and noticed that it was getting cold in the plane. I would probably get ready to get out in a hurry. I would look at my money in the sack and go over and open up a parachute and get a rope or piece of clothe and tie it up tight and then strap a parachute on my back and probably tie another one on the front of me and get the heck out of there holding the bag in one hand with my brief case inside the bag. The spirit also gave me another word last nite--it said he connected--this means perhaps that he tied two parachutes together somehow. They might have become entangles and he plummeted down to earth and died. The strange thing is why hasnt he been found. I think the flying time for him was between 12 minutes and 55 minutes. Somewhere in the lapse of time. I don't know the exact glidepath of the plane, so I am hampered in that respect, but somewhere in that lapse of time and space you will probably find your man and I believe you will find him dead, because I actually believe he was a dumbell and not too smart. If he was smart he would have dressed warmer and then too, he would have had pals working with him on the ground. My latest belief then, is that he was a dumbell and is dead. The spirit gave me a word last nite and it was 'settlers' I heard the word before the monday after the caper. I was trying to figure what it meant and the nearest I can figure it refers to a settlement, a wagon train, or emmigrant train. There is the words -Lewis and Clark on the map near Marys Corner, Was It might mean the particular area where he fell was covered by early settlers. The word farmer came thru me and of course, connected and then those other words such as ford which could mean a Ford car or it in this case could mean to ford a river. the word union could mean two rivers and the word ferry could mean ferry accross the river. I actually believe now that He came down between two rivers.

The Deschutes and Skookumchuck and of course the Nisqually rivers look important to me. Probably between the Deschutes and Skookumchuck rivers would be the place he came down and the word union means two rivers and the word ford meant he had to ford them. If he was alive and made it then he forded a river and the word fairground mean near a gathering place such as a historical monument or historic site. It could have been on the Lewis and Clark trail.

My idea now, however, is that it was near Vall, Washington. A pinpoint on the mape here would be a good idea.

DB Cooper-40720

As I said before, I contacted my guardian angel yesterday and as I was concentrating on the subject she said 'He didn't stay in there long' I think this is a good lead- He wasn't very long in that cold plane. I used to work in a small town called Grand Coulee in [redacted]. There was a drug store that I used to go to for a malt or ice cream back in those days and the name of it was Vic and Vals. That is why I said Vall, Washington might be a good scene of operation. My guardian angel yesterday said -have a malt. She knows I never have one any more. That night I started to look at the map and there is this town called Vall and a person could fan out in what looks like some pretty wild country around there along those three rivers. That is where I think now that he is down. Why the helicopters have not picked up the chutes is a mystery. It might take some hiking in there to find him. The word narrow came thru me, too. Maybe a narrow neck of land or narrow ledge signifies what it means. I am beginning to discount that he ever got as far as Portland without outside help. I am beginning to believe he was a loner, altho the phrase came thru me- He had four and then broke off. That this means is a mystery to me. I noticed that four men got away at Phoenix the other day in a lite plane and left behind over a hundred thousand dollars worth of Marijuana. I think this guy was a dope alright, because the spirit has said - he was a druggie-He was a druggie. He probably drank, too and I don't think he was very bright. I think the place to search, then, is east of Vall, Wash. in an east and south or north direction along those rivers. I would be willing to bet two dollars to a donut ( to a burnside) donut that I am right. It might be that some farmer is going to find him or already has. Some dishonest person might bury him and the chutes and keep the hoard of money. In this case I would look for the money if it was marked to show up in one of those small towns like Vall, Cinnebar or salkum or Marys Corner. My preference is Vall right at the present time. The area west of Snoqualmie National Forest. This reminds me too, of the spirit. One day it said near a Federal. I didn't get the last of the Phrase and now this might be very important--Just west of Snoqualmie Nat'l. Forest between the road leading along cinebar and north to the Skookumchuck and Deschutes River. This looks hot to me now and I almost feel like doing some hiking myself and coming up there and doing a little road work myself, but guess I won't. My idea of course is supposition, but you can't go against the words that I have and the phrases that came thru me. When you put all the words and phrases together, they make sense. I fly off on a tangent, sometimes and try to rush too fast into the enigma. Right now I could almost draw a line between huckleberry mountain and Vall and hit the jackpot in my mind's eye, however.

Sincerely,

-- [redacted] --

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Date: 12/8/71

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Via TELETYPE

URGENT

(Priority)

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

SACRAMENTO

FROM: SAN DIEGO (164-91)

*SUSPECT, LEE JOSEPH GILPATRICK  
NO PD LEADS*

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST; CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SAN DIEGO, DECEMBER ONE LAST.

RE: SUSPECT LEE JOSEPH GILPATRICK

THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES CONTACTED RE SUSPECT GILPATRICK  
AT EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA, WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS:  
EL CENTRO, PD, IMPERIAL COUNTY SO, IMPERIAL VALLEY CREDIT  
BUREAU, IMPERIAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA  
GAS COMPANY, U.S. POST OFFICE, AND ROSS FLYING SERVICE.

          , AERO CROP DUSTERS, BRAWLEY, CALIFORNIA,  
ADVISED GILPATRICK IS UNKNOWN TO HER AND IS NOT CURRENT  
EMPLOYED AND NEVER HAS BEEN WITH AERO CROP DUSTERS.

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(1) Portland (AM)

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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COMPOSITE OF UNSUB UNFAMILIAR.

[REDACTED] FARM AIR COMPANY, ADVISED GILPATRICK UNKNOWN TO HIM AS CURRENT OR FORMER EMPLOYEE. [REDACTED] ADVISED APPROXIMATELY TWENTYONE CROP DUSTER PILOTS OPERATING IN IMPERIAL VALLEY [REDACTED] ACQUAINTED WITH ALL OF THEM. NONE OF THE TWENTYONE FIT DESCRIPTION OF GILPATRICK OR RESEMBLE COMPOSITE OF UNSUB.

[REDACTED] STATED ALL CROP DUSTING PILOTS MUST BE LICENSED BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA.

FOR INFORMATION SACRAMENTO, PORTLAND DIVISION ADVISED DETECTIVE [REDACTED], MULTNOMAH COUNTY SO, PORTLAND, ADVISED HE RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT LEE JOSEPH GILPATRICK RESEMBLED ARTIST SKETCH OF UNSUB. GILPATRICK DESCRIBED WIA, BORN JUNE THIRTEEN THIRTYTWO, FIVE FEET ELEVEN, ONE HUNDRED FORTY POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, BROWN EYES. [REDACTED] STATED

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GILPATRICK SERVED TIME AT WASHINGTON STATE PENITENTIARY FOR ARMED ROBBERY, THAT HE WAS A SKYDIVER AND WAS KNOWN TO BE OPERATING A DUST CROP PLANE IN EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA.

SACRAMENTO. WILL REVIEW RECORDS OF DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TO DETERMINE IF SUSPECT GILPATRICK, IS CURRENTLY LICENSED AS A CROP DUST PILOT TO ASCERTAIN HIS CURRENT RESIDENCE.

UNSUB CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

PENDING.

AIR MAIL COPY TO PORTLAND.

END.

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Special Agent in Charge

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 12/10/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

*Suspect*

*ELIMINATED*

On 12/10/71, 11:00 a.m., [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], telephone [REDACTED], advised he had been in the  
Industrial Branch of the First National Bank of Oregon,  
1640 N.W. 19th, Portland, Oregon, at 10:00 a.m. this morning.  
He advised an individual who appeared similar to the artist's  
sketch of the hijacker was in the bank. He described the  
individual as being 5'6"-5'7", 150 pounds, wearing blue satin  
bellbottoms, dark raincoat, black hair, hooked nose, receding  
hairline, and a dark complexion. [REDACTED] said the individual  
left the bank in a blue Volkswagen, Oregon license [REDACTED].

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On 12/10/71, the Oregon State Department of  
Motor Vehicles, Salem, Oregon, advised as follows:

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Due to differences between descriptions of the  
hijacker and [REDACTED] no leads are recommended.

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*[Signature]*



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The following investigation was conducted by SA

AT PORTLAND, OREGON

On December 8, 1971, [redacted]

[redacted] telephone

[redacted], was contacted and advised [redacted]

[redacted] by the name of [redacted]

[redacted] re-

sides at [redacted] Portland, telephone

[redacted] stated [redacted] bears no resemblance to the composite photograph she saw in the newspaper as that of the person responsible for hijacking a Northwest Airlines Boeing 727, November 24, 1971. [redacted] is approximately five feet ten inches tall and weighs about 160 pounds.

[redacted] further advised, as far as she knows, [redacted] knows nothing about skydiving or parachutes.

[redacted] stated, according to her records, [redacted]

[redacted] was working [redacted]

in Portland on November 24, 1971. He was there all day and did not leave until after 5:00 PM.

[redacted] concluded by saying [redacted]

[redacted] and is one of her most trusted employees.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 12/10/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK

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On 12/8/71, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] telephonically advised:

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Donald Pacific Parachute Center, Donald, Oregon,

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[REDACTED]

She noticed no activity at the parachute center during the day of 11/22/71, although the center usually has somebody around during the day. She believes a plane flew out of there the night of the hijacking, time not recalled, which is unusual. Further, recently, she noticed that members of the parachute center were catching a football thrown from a plane, and they have parachute drops in all kinds of weather. She recalls last winter that two of them jumped in windy, snowy weather.

She added that there are frequently cars at the center at unusual times, 2 a.m. and 4 a.m. in the morning. She feels this possibly is due to concern on the part of the members of the parachute center as to possible vandalism, or other action against their property [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Aurora, has observed something [REDACTED] feels would be of interest to the FBI in captioned case. She declined to elaborate on what type of information [REDACTED] might

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have, and she indicated that [ ] would like to  
be contacted by the FBI.

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[ ] AT AURORA, OREGON. Will contact [ ]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (164-41)

DATE: 12-10-71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NWAL Flight 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE 11/24/71  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION

*SKYDIVER BETWEEN  
WOODBURN + WILSONVILLE*

*RE: SER 357*

Reference telcall from SA NORMAN B. BELFREY this date.

On 12/10/71 Chief Criminal Deputy HANK DOUGHERTY of the Polk County Sheriff's Office Dallas, Oregon in the absence of Sheriff WOODY JONES advised that [REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED] Dallas, Oregon. He was unable to furnish and address for [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] advised that, as he recalls, He and [REDACTED] between the last of October and the 15th to 20th of November made [REDACTED] trips to Portland [REDACTED]

On their way to Portland they [REDACTED] near Woodburn, Oregon. Shortly after they started out again, and somewhere between Woodburn and Wilsonville, they noticed a skydiver coming down in an Orange parachute west of the highway (I5) about  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile. At the time, he was nearly to the ground and they observed him only for a few moments. The time was between 12 noon and 2 pm. He was unable to furnish a description of the man they saw.

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JOHNSTON JOSEPH HENRY

DC 08-23

ARRESTED 11-19-71

OPLIC

4005 NE 69TH PTLD

ARREST # A99392 OFFICER 347-48 DR FULCHER

1800 CHG OP-CHAUF VIOL VEH 60 DODG PAU282 WA

30-1 DISTRICT COURT PENDLETON

THIS SUSPECT ELIMINATED

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STATE BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION AND INVESTIGATION  
Department of State Police

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By G. A. Kanz

Director

ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	DEPARTMENT AND NUMBER	NAME	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
1-10-47	PD San Francisco, Cal. #86053	Joseph Henry JOHNSON	Susp. Sec. 245 PC	5-12-47, 90 das SS \$ 50. fine on chg of Sec 242 PC
8-23-50	SO Colville, Wn. #1818	Joseph Henry JOHNSON	2nd deg aslt.	pending
1-17-51	SO Kelso, Wn. #14067	Joe H. JOHNSTON	Rape	dis
1-17-51	PD Longview, Wn. #3768	Joe H. JOHNSTON	Inv. of rape	TOT SO
8-2-55	SO Marion, Ark. #7138	Joseph Henry JOHNSTON	Aslt. & Batt.	F & C
6-18-57	PD Portland, Ore. #35463	Joseph Henry JOHNSTON	Aslt & Beat (Att rape)	6-26-57, \$50. fine
6-30-59	SO Portland, Ore. #39691	Joseph Henry JOHNSTON	Aslt. w/a dang. weapon	30 das in J1. susp
2-29-60	PD Memphis, Tenn. #74468	Joseph Henry JOHNSTON	inv (S.P. - susp bad chks susp con man)	\$16.-\$26. 3-1-60 on chg of speed. NDL
7-23-60	SO Los Angeles, Cal. #B713-561	Joseph H. JOHNSTON	drk driv (msd)	
8-2-60	SO Los Angeles, Cal. #E-715504	Joe Henry JOHNSTON	drk driv (msd)	
11-11-60	SO Portland, Ore. #39691	Joseph Henry JOHNSTON	Contempt of Crt. (Non-support)	60das Jail
		(OVER)		



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ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	DEPARTMENT AND NUMBER	NAME	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
4-21-61	SO Portland, Ore. #39691	Joseph Henry JOHNSON	L by bailee	Rel for lack of evidence 4-25-61
11-2-61	SO Portland, Ore. #39691	Joseph Henry JOHNSTON	Cont of court (Non-support)	
1-28-62	PD Portland, Ore. #35463	Joseph Henry JOHNSTON	J-Walk/inv aslt U robb ANDW	
1-31-62	SO Portland, Ore. #39691	Joseph Henry JOHNSTON	Aslt & robb armed	
8-3-62	PD Columbus, Miss. #2812	Joseph Henry JOHNSTON	False pretense (Issuing worthless chks)	60 das on 2 cts 120 das on Co Farm
3-20-63	OSPrison, Columbus, Ohio #116859	Joe H. JOHNSTON	Forg 4 c/a	1-20
3-29-64	SO Portland, Ore. #39691	Joseph Henry JOHNSTON	Show Cause Order iss 5-31-63, (Orig chg: Robb by putting in fear, Not being armed with a dang weap)	Prob revoked & sent to NMT 2 yrs at OSPrison 4-24-64
4-30-64	OSPrison, Salem, Ore. #30224	Joseph H. JOHNSTON	Robb by putting in fear not being armed with a dang weapon (Multnomah Co.)	2 yrs Disch 8-3-65
<p style="text-align: center;">(Over)</p>				

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\* 4-20-62, SO, Multnomah County, Portland, Ore. #--, as Joseph H. JOHNSTON,  
R.B.P.I.F.N.R.A.W.A.D.W., sent to 3 yrs. prob. (per inf rec from the OSBd  
of Par. & Prob. letter dated 5-1-62) Multnomah Co. revoked JOHNSTON'S  
prob on 4-24-64 and sent him to 2 yrs OSPrison, (Per inf rec from the  
OSBd of Par & Prob letter dated 4-29-64.)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND 164-41

DATE: 12/11/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 12/11/71, [REDACTED], telephone [REDACTED] employed by [REDACTED], extension [REDACTED] advised that UNSUB fits the general description of an individual [REDACTED] (phonetic) [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] last saw [REDACTED] in Portland approximately [REDACTED] months ago.

Lead Portland: Conduct appropriate investigation to determine if [REDACTED] identical with UNSUB.

*Reviewed*

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Date: 12/10/71

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(Priority)

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 1 P

NORJAK.

REFER SACRAMENTO AIRTEL TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER EIGHT, SEVENTY ONE, AND PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER THREE, SEVENTY ONE.

SUSPECT--JOHN GORDON HOSKINS.

REAIRTEL REQUESTS HOSKINS BE LOCATED AND HIS WHEREABOUTS ON NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE, BE ESTABLISHED.

HOSKINS WAS ELIMINATED AS SUSPECT BY WITNESS 

PORTLAND WILL NOT COVER LEAD AT CASCADE LOCKS UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED BY SEATTLE.

①-Portland

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Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in ChargeSent 2:05 P MPer [Signature]

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Date: 12/10/71

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 1 P

NORJAK.

SUMMARY TELETYPE.

PORTLAND IS CONTINUING TO COVER LOOK ALIKE LEADS BUT NO  
DEFINITE INFORMATION RE IDENTITY OF HIJACKER HAS BEEN DEVELOPED.

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Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in ChargeSent 4:10 P M Per [Signature]

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NR010 MP PLAIN

700PM NITEL 12-10-71 AGL

TO DIRECTOR, FBI 164-2111

PORTLAND 164-41

SEATTLE 164-81

WFO 164-69

*RALPH V. GALOPE*

FROM MINNEAPOLIS 164-73 1P

NORJAK

RE WFO AIRTEL TO SEATTLE, PORTLAND AND MINNEAPOLIS DATED  
TWELVE SEVEN SEVENTYONE (SUSPECT RALPH V. GALOPE).

SUSPECT'S PHOTO DISPLAYED TO NORTHWEST AIRLINES STEWARDESSES

[REDACTED] ON TWELVE TEN SEVENTYONE.

BOTH STEWARDESSES ADVISED GALOPE NOT IDENT WITH HIJACKER OF  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, ELEVEN TWENTYFOUR  
SEVENTYONE.

NORTHWEST AIRLINES STEWARDESS [REDACTED] UNAVAILABLE FOR  
PHOTO DISPLAY UNTIL TWELVE ELEVEN SEVENTYONE.

UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

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7:01 PM URGENT 12-10-71 RMB

TO: SEATTLE

ANCHORAGE (VIA WASHINGTON D.C.)

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FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

ELIMINATED

NORJACK

RE BT NITEL ELEVEN TWENTYNINE, SEVENTYONE TO AN, PD, SE, AND  
SE NITEL TWELVE EIGHT SEVENTYONE TO PD.

SUSPECT: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PERSONALLY CONTACTED BY SA [REDACTED] AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], DALLAS, OREGON AND IT WAS OBSERVED HE HAS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND STATES HE WORKED ON

ELEVEN TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. HE DOES NOT RESEMBLE ARTIST'S  
SKETCH OF HIJACKER. MOTOR VEHICLE RECORDS, SALEM, OREGON DES-  
CRIBE [REDACTED] AS DOB [REDACTED], HEIGHT FIVE FEET TEN  
INCHES, WEIGHT ONE SIX ZERO POUNDS.

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TO NEW YORK (164-627)

SEATTLE

PORTLAND

FROM DIRECTOR (164-2111) 1P

*Fingerprints Developed  
New York*

NORJAK

RE NEW YORK AIRTEL DECEMBER FOUR.

TWO LATENT FINGERPRINTS DEVELOPED FOURTH PAGE ARTICLE,  
Q TWELVE. LATENT FINGERPRINTS NOT IDENTICAL PREVIOUSLY  
REPORTED LATENT FINGERPRINTS THIS CASE OR FINGERPRINTS  
GARY EVAN JOSEPH SANDAL, FBI NUMBER NINE THREE SEVEN SIX  
THREE EIGHT D; [REDACTED], FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], FBI  
NUMBER [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

HARRY WILLIAM CELK, BORN OCTOBER THREE, NINETEEN THIRTYFIVE,  
OHIO; DOUGLAS COOPER, BORN APRIL TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN  
TWENTYFIVE, CHESHIRE, ENGLAND; AND [REDACTED]  
FBI NUMBER [REDACTED].

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7:24PM URGENT 12-10-71 TMT

TO PORTLAND (164-41)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM DIRECTOR (164-2111) 1P

*D.B. COOPER*

*ELIMINATION PRINTS*

NORJAK.

RE PORTLAND AIRTEL DECEMBER TWO.

LATENT PRINTS ENVELOPE AND LETTER NOT IDENTICAL FINGER-

PRINTS OF GARY EVAN JOSEPH SAMDAL, FBI NUMBER NINE THREE SEVEN SIX  
THREE EIGHT D; [REDACTED], FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]; HARRY WILLIAM CELK, BORN OCTOBER THREE NINETEEN  
THIRTYFIVE, OHIO PAREN FINGERPRINTED BY U.S. COAST GUARD SEPTEMBER  
TWELVE SIXTYONE, NUMBER ONE ONE SEVEN SIX EIGHT ZERO FOR APPLICANT  
FOR SEAMANS DOCUMENT END PAREN; DOUGLAS COOPER, BORN APRIL TWENTY-  
FOUR NINETEEN TWENTYFIVE, CHESHIRE, ENGLAND; [REDACTED]

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FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

ELIMINATION PRINTS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED.

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*COOPER  
BORN 12/24/41*

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TO SEATTLE (161-81)

PORTLAND (164-41)

KANSAS CITY

SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497)

NORJACK

RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO SEATTLE DECEMBER NINE LAST.

SUSPECTS: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
ON DECEMBER NINE LAST, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIFORNIA,

ADVISED HE TOOK [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] COULD FURNISH NO  
INFORMATION CONCERNING [REDACTED] CURRENT WHEREABOUTS, CLAIMS

PORTLAND WAS NOT DISCUSSED, KNOWS OF NO ASSOCIATES OF NORTHWEST

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UNITED STATES, AND DOES NOT KNOW [REDACTED] OR ANYONE  
RESEMBLING ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNKNOWN SUBJECT.

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RECORD FOR [REDACTED], FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], LOCATED LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT.

NO RECORD IDENTIFIABLE WITH [REDACTED], LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S  
OFFICE.

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ALL PERSONS INTERVIEWED THIS PHASE PLEDGED TO NOTIFY FBI  
IF WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] OR ANY OTHER DETAILS  
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POSSIBLY RELATED ARE LEARNED. ALL AGREE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

CRIMES.

[REDACTED], SUN VALLEY, CALIFORNIA,  
TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED FBI, LOS ANGELES [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DENIED INVOLVEMENT IN CAPTIONED MATTER AND SAID [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS WANTED BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES,

LOCATION UNKNOWN, AND THEREFORE, REFUSED TO TALK TO POLICE.

[REDACTED] STATED HE WOULD [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] RETURN TO KANSAS CITY

AREA AND [REDACTED]

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AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI: INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AS SET OUT IN REFERENCED TELETYPE DECEMBER NINE  
LAST, TO ASCERTAIN WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] AND IDENTIFY ALLEGED  
ASSOCIATES FROM KANSAS CITY.

INKNOWN SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

END

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138 PM NITEL 12-12-71 BLB

TO: DIRECTOR 164-2111

HOUSTON 164-118

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SEATTLE 164-81

WFO 164-69

*RALPH V. GALOPE*

FROM: MINNEAPOLIS 164-73 1P

NORJAK.

RE SUSPECT: OLIVER REESE BOYD,

SUSPECT: RALPH V. GALOPE

PHOTOS OF BOYD AND GALOPE DISPLAYED TO NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
STEWARDESS [REDACTED] ON TWELVE TWELVE SEVENTYONE. [REDACTED]  
ADVISED NEITHER SUSPECT IDENT WITH HIJACKER OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, ELEVEN TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE.

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UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

END

TC [REDACTED]

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*N. L. [unclear]*

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LOS ANGELESFROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 2 PAGES

NORJAK

RE MINNEAPOLIS NITEL TO LOS ANGELES AND SEATTLE, DECEMBER NINE,  
SEVENTYONE.[REDACTED]  
WEST LINN, OREGON, ADVISED HE IS [REDACTED][REDACTED] SAME ADDRESS. [REDACTED] ADVISED ON  
DECEMBER THREE, LAST, [REDACTED]  
CLYDE KENNEDY [REDACTED]HE ADVISED CLYDE KENNEDY [REDACTED] AND HE IS  
A NATIONALLY KNOWN JUDGE RESIDING AT NINE TWO ONE ONE LA TUNA  
CANYON ROAD, SUN VALLEY, CALIFORNIA.[REDACTED] ADVISED KENNEDY CLOSELY RESEMBLES THE SKETCH OF THE  
UNKNOWN SUBJECT; HOWEVER, KENNEDY IS DEFINITELY NOT HIM.

①-Portland

TJD:krv  
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Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in ChargeSent LA-615 M Per RAB

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HE DESCRIBED KENNEDY AS WHITE MALE, AGE FIFTYFIVE, BUT LOOKS FIFTY; FIVE FEET, NINE INCHES; ONE HUNDRED SIXTYFIVE POUNDS; BROWN HAIR; BLUE EYES; AND WEARS DARK GLASSES MOST OF THE TIME.

PORTLAND CONDUCTING NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION CONCERNING KENNEDY.

LOS ANGELES DISCONTINUE EFFORTS TO LOCATE .

PENDING.

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Special Agent in Charge

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FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1 PAGE

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SUSPECT: [REDACTED]

RE SEATTLE AIRTEL TO PORTLAND, DECEMBER SIX, SEVENTYONE.

[REDACTED] DETERMINED TO BE [REDACTED]

PORTLAND, [REDACTED] EMPLOYER,

[REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED] WAS AT WORK ON  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR AND TWENTYFIVE, SEVENTYONE. [REDACTED] HAS  
MINOR TRAFFIC TICKET WITH LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT AND SHERIFF'S  
OFFICE. NO PHOTOGRAPH AVAILABLE. PERSONAL APPEARANCE VARIES  
GREATLY FROM DESCRIPTION OF UNKNOWN SUBJECT. 164-41-378

PENDING.

(1-Portland)

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Approved: [Signature]

Special Agent in Charge

Sent

6:50 P

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NR 005 SF PLAINTEXT

7:57PM NITEL 12/11/71 JAK

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

LOS ANGELES (164-497)

KANSAS CITY (164-80)

PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (64-220) 1P

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NORJAK.

RE LA TEL TO SE, PD, KC, AND SF, DEC. NINE, LAST, RE

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ADVISED

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INSTANT DATE

KANSAS CITY, QUESTIONING THE FBI INQUIRY CONCERNING HIM. HE ADVISED THA HE WOULD NOT TALK TO FBI AGENTS PRIOR TO SEEING HIS LAWYER, AND THAT HE HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH ANY HIJACKING.

KANSAS CITY,

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KC ATTEMPT TO CONTACT

AND ASCERTAIN WHEREABOUTS OF ON NOV. TWENTY

FOUR, LAST.

-----SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS-----

END...

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*DB*

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Gentlemen:

Yesterday I dropped you a line or two about the case of the missing \$200,000 air Jack. I mentioned the word settler or settlers had come thru me and today the word railroad came thru me and I remember the word came thru me the nite of the Hijack. Just what it means I don't know, but I started to make out a little map showing the railroads and I think the spirit felt sorry for me and now I am sure I have the hottest clue to the case yet. The word came thru loud and clear. It said 90 miles. I think this is very definitely something to go to work on. I don't know the exact glide path of the plane from Seattle-Tacoma airport and I don't know for sure if I am right with my crude map, but you might have an expert check the right map and ascertain where the district is just (90-miles from Seattle airport). I get it around the Kalama river region or possibly around pigeon springs in Cowlitz county, Washington. You were all looking around Woodland and I get it about 12 miles or so above Woodland. The fact that the spirit said he was sitting in a seater might mean he is sitting in a ditch or creek in there dead or then too, he might be sitting in a swivel chair in some office laughing at the world with the two hundred grand. According to what my guardian angel said- He wasn't in the plane long and 'He never made it, seems to reaffirm to me that 90 miles might be just about the right distance, because it don't take a plane long to fly this distance. How many minutes does it take? When the caper was first pulled about even two days before it the spirit had spoken thru me about a Spring. Do you remember in one of my first previous letters? I thot it was a spring down near Mill city, but when I measured the distance on my crude map- it came out pigeon spring. I thot the word union might have meant two railroads or two rivers coming together. Between Rainier and Roy Washington the N. P. runs a railroad line and then another spur track runs below it and parallel to it as I have drawn on the map of mine. I think the tip of the day now. is the idea- of 90-miles from takeoff. A very good clue. Sometimes I get words that don't have anything to do with this case as for instance two days ago I was walking down the street and the spirit said 'subs'. Today I saw the headlines in the paper-Russian Sub fired on by Pakistan. When I woke up this morning the spirit manifested thru me and said they are 'going to bomb the buildings again' This means another rash of bombings. Once before when the spirit said this-- They bombed the Bank of America at Isle of Vista up near San Francisco. Spirit also said this morning that Fidel Castro was raiding us. This means that somebody from mainland Cuba is slipping into our country and is highly skilled at the use of explosives. I wish I had a camp and about 100 young men about or between the age of 20 and 40 and I would train them to have the holy ghost. If I had it now I could tell you many things. It takes about a year of training to produce men with the holy ghost and they will never know under the existing conditions.

Hope my new clue spirit gave me (90 miles) will crack the case.

Sincerely,

DB Cooper-40758

I notice the Southern Pacific runs a railroad coming in from the south--Maybe Mr. Cooper went over the city of Portland and hopped out south of the city and caught a freight train the nite of caper.  
(Just supposition)

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SPUR TRACK MIGHT  
BE THE SEATER  
IT LOOKS LIKE A  
HAMMOCK (IN RED)

AIRPORT

CMSTR PY

● PUYALLUP

● ORTING

DESCUTES  
RIVER  
PARK

ROY

MCKENNA

RAINIER

NISQUALLY RIVER

DESCUTES RIVER

VALL

SKOOKUMCHUCK RIVER

● CENTRALIA CHECK AREA

● CHEHALIS 96 MILES FROM SEATTLE

ON FOOT



SNOQUALMIE  
NATL  
FOREST



PIGEON SPRINGS  
KALAMA RIVER

CHECK AREA

90 AIR MILES  
FROM SEATTLE  
TACOMA AIRPORT

VERY HOT NOW

PIGEON SPRINGS  
KALAMA RIVER

IF THIS IS 90  
AIR MILES FROM  
SEATTLE?

DB Cooper-40759



VIA AIR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Portland Branch  
Portland  
Oregon

DB Cooper-40760

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DB Cooper-40761

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

DATE: 12/12/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK

NO P.D. LEADS

SA [REDACTED] FBI, Seattle telephonically advised that a man fitting the description of hijacker was questioned by Seattle Airport Police before boarding [REDACTED] to Portland on [REDACTED]. SAP determined person to be [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED] 5'9", 170#, wearing camel's hair full length overcoat. SA [REDACTED] advised that SAP failed to obtain [REDACTED] home address or occupation and requested that FBI, Portland obtain same from [REDACTED]

Portland Airport Patrolman [REDACTED] was apprised of the above facts and interviewed [REDACTED] and obtained the following additional information. [REDACTED] full name is [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED] residence [REDACTED], Alaska [REDACTED] Employed by [REDACTED] currently in Portland [REDACTED] Alaska Drivers License [REDACTED] SSAN [REDACTED]

Patrolman [REDACTED] stated that it was his opinion that [REDACTED] did not resemble the flyer of UNSUB in captioned case.

PD TEL TO ANLA & SE 12/13/71  
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*Changes regarding  
changes to instructions  
12/24/71*

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*[Signature]*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 12/13/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK

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At 12:50 p.m., 12/11/71, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], Vancouver, Washington [REDACTED]  
telephonically contacted the Portland Office and requested  
information as to whether or not there is a reward for  
identifying the person who recently hijacked a Northwest-  
Orient Airlines plane between Portland and Washington,  
using the alias D. B. COOPER.

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[REDACTED] was informed that as of the present  
time, there has been no reward offered, but the FBI is  
conducting extensive investigation in an effort to identify  
the hijacker; and if he has information which might be of  
value in this investigation, the FBI would be most anxious  
to meet with him for his assistance. It was further pointed  
out to [REDACTED] that all citizens have the responsibility  
to cooperate with law enforcement and particularly when *it involves*  
~~involved in~~ a crime of this *importance.*

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[REDACTED] then stated that he does not actually  
have personal knowledge of any information concerning the  
hijacker, but is acting in the role of intermediary for  
another person whom he believes is in possession of important  
information regarding this crime. This unidentified person  
has indicated to [REDACTED] that he would be willing to  
cooperate only if there were a monetary reward involved.

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[REDACTED] was questioned at some length in an  
effort to ascertain any details which might serve as the  
basis to evaluate the degree of credence which might be  
placed in his statements. It was learned that [REDACTED] is  
[REDACTED]

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PD TEL TO SE 12/17/71  
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*Teletype*  
*Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan*

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*Belfrey*

DB Cooper-40763



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[REDACTED]

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The only other information of significant value obtained during the conversation was a comment to the effect that there is a stolen car in some way connected with the hijacking.

[REDACTED] indicated a willingness to submit to an interview with an Agent of the FBI at his residence.

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Immediately after the conversation was terminated, SA THOMAS MANNING was telephonically contacted at the Longview, Washington, resident agency, and he was furnished complete information regarding the above described conversation. SA MANNING stated that he would contact [REDACTED] and conduct the appropriate interview.

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Date: 12/8/71

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TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING*Suspect: ROBT, LEE HORTON*

OO: SEATTLE

Enclosed for Portland is one photograph of ROBERT LEE HORTON.

Former [redacted] Police Department, [redacted] advised the Minneapolis Office that he had received information through a confidential source that ROBERT LEE HORTON, FBI No. 2522426, could be a suspect in instant hijacking. HORTON has been arrested on numerous occasions from June, 1939, up to May, 1970, when he was arrested by the Sheriff's Office at Portland, Oregon, under number 13742 for Larceny from a Store and Escape from Detective. HORTON currently is being supervised on parole by the State of Oregon. He has been arrested on numerous occasions for the use of and pushing of narcotics, and also has been convicted of burglary.

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2 - Seattle (164-81)  
2 - Minneapolis  
RWG:ras  
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*TO MINNAPOLIS + SE*  
*PD AIRTEL 12/14/71*

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[ ] had no home address for HORTON but did furnish a photograph of him which was taken by the Multnomah County, Oregon, Sheriff's Office--Number 13742, on 5/20/70. This photograph was displayed to Northwest Airlines stewardesses, who advised he did not resemble the Unsub. [ ] however, pointed out that the photograph shown is not a good likeness of HORTON inasmuch as he usually weighs more and has a fuller face.

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PORTLAND DIVISION

AT PORTLAND, OREGON

Will through law enforcement sources and through HORTON's probation officer attempt to obtain current photographs of suspect.

M.S.C. was contacted by [ ] 12/13/71

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LEAD: Contact State Probation Office & get current picture of HORTON.

AIRTEL TO MNPLS & SE 12/14/71. ms

12/13/71

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL - REGISTERED

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re Seattle airtel to Portland, 12/8/71.

RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [REDACTED] at Portland, Oregon, on 12/10/71:

[REDACTED] was contacted at his place of  
business, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], and through observation alone  
by Special Agent conducting investigation, [REDACTED] was  
noted to weigh approximately 230 to 240 pounds and to be  
6'1" tall. No further investigation is being conducted  
regarding [REDACTED].

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2- Portland

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL - REGISTERED

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK

RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA THOMAS J. DUGAN:

Det. [REDACTED], Gresham, Oregon, PD, advised  
on 12/8/71 that he had conducted a considerable amount of  
investigation concerning the [REDACTED]. He stated  
he recently obtained a California driver's license photograph  
of this individual and on the basis of the description and  
the photograph, believed that [REDACTED] closely resembled  
the sketch of the unsub which appeared in the newspapers.

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Det. [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] had been  
arrested sometime [REDACTED] by the Portland, Oregon, PD  
on a charge of [REDACTED]. He stated  
a better photograph of the suspect could probably be located  
at the Identification Bureau of the Portland PD. He  
described [REDACTED] as follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	[REDACTED]
Hair	Brown (receding)
Eyes	Blue
Height	6'
Weight	170 pounds
California driver's license number	[REDACTED]

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2- Seattle (Enc. #) (AM) (RM)  
2- Portland

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PD 164-41

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ]:

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On 12/10/71, [ ] Portland PD Identification  
Division, Portland, Oregon, made available two photographs  
of suspect [ ]

<sup>ONE</sup> ~~These two~~ <sup>15</sup> photographs are enclosed herewith for  
the Seattle Division.

LEAD:

SEATTLE

AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. Will exhibit photographs  
to witnesses to either identify or eliminate [ ] as a  
suspect.

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ANCHORAGE (via Washington) 1:30 p.m.

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

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NORJACK.

RE TELEPHONE CALL TO PORTLAND FROM SA [REDACTED] SEATTLE,  
DECEMBER TWELVE SEVENTYONE.

SUSPECT [REDACTED]

SEATTLE AIRPORT POLICE REPORTED SUSPECT BOARDED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FROM SEATTLE TO PORTLAND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND HE RESEMBLED ARTIST'S SKETCH OF HIJACKER. PORTLAND  
AIRPORT POLICE DETERMINED SUSPECT, DOB [REDACTED]  
RESIDES [REDACTED] ALASKA, AND IS EMPLOYED  
BY U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AS SOIL CONSERVATIONIST. [REDACTED]

ANCHORAGE WILL ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS OF SUSPECT ON NOVEMBER  
TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. PENDING.

*Bureau is requested to advise Anchorage*

① - Portland

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Approved: [Signature]

Special Agent in Charge

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Per [Signature]

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155 URGENT 12-13-71 MAW

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

DALLAS

DENVER

PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) 4P

JAMES RAY FUGATE  
AURORA, ORE

NORJAK.

RE: JAMES RAY FUGATE.

FUGATE WAS FURNISHED TO THE MINNEAPOLIS DIVISION AS A

POSSIBLE SUSPECT BY [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], ON A CONFIDENTIAL BASIS. FUGATE HAD DEALINGS  
IN THE PAST WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], MINNESOTA. FUGATE'S DEALINGS  
WERE HIGHLY SUSPECT AND IT WAS DETERMINED BY [REDACTED], THAT  
FUGATE HAS BEEN ARRESTED FOR AND CONFINED FOR FRAUDULENT  
AND CON GAME ACTIVITIES. FUGATE HAS A FLYING BACKGROUND  
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LEAD AURORA

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AND AT ONE TIME WAS CHARGED WITH THE THEFT OF AN AIRCRAFT.

FUGATE FORMERLY WAS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] RESIDENCE AT TIME OF [REDACTED] WAS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]; DENVER, COLORADO. IN NINETEEN

FIFTYEIGHT FUGATE WAS CONVICTED OF PASSING NO ACCOUNT CHECKS ON A GOVERNMENT RESERVATION AND WAS STRIPPED OF RANK IN THE NATIONAL GUARD FOR THIS OFFENSE. IN AUGUST NINETEEN FIFTYNINE HE WAS CONVICTED OF MAIL FRAUD AND SENTENCED TO ONE YEAR AND ONE DAY AT LUBBOCK FEDERAL PENITENTIARY, LUBBOCK, TEXAS. IN FEBRUARY FIFTYNINE HE WAS CONVICTED OF A CON GAME AND OF THE INTERSTATE THEFT AND TRANSPORTATION OF AN AIRCRAFT. BECAUSE OF HIS CONVICTION FOR MAIL FRAUD, FUGATE RECEIVED PROBATION CONCERNING THE CON GAME AND WAS NOT PROSECUTED FOR THE AIRCRAFT THEFT. FUGATE'S MOST RECENT ADDRESS OBTAINED BY [REDACTED], MINNEAPOLIS, WAS ROUTE TWO, BOX NINE SIX, AURORA, OREGON. HIS LEGAL ADDRESS WAS LISTED AS THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OREGON, P.O. BOX THREE ONE THREE ONE, PORTLAND, OREGON. FUGATE IS DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, DOB JANUARY EIGHT, THIRTYONE, POB PORTLAND, OREGON, SIX FEET ONE INCH TALL, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY POUNDS, OLIVE COMPLEXION, DARK, SLIGHTLY GRAYING HAIR, EDUCATION

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PAGE THREE

DENVER UNIVERSITY, OCCUPATION PILOT, USAF AND UNITED AIRLINES;  
ENGINEER WITH MARTIN DASH MARRIETTA CORP., DENVER, COLORADO;  
AIR CARRIERS, INC., AURORA, OREGON DASH PRESIDENT.

IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT A PHOTO OF FUGATE WAS DISPLAYED  
TO THE STEWARDESSES OF FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, AND THEY  
ADVISED HE WAS TOO YOUNG, GOOD-LOOKING, AND CLEAN CUT TO  
BY THE SUBJECT; HOWEVER, THIS PHOTO IS AN ENLARGED SNAPSHOT  
WHICH WAS TAKEN ABOUT NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT.

PORTLAND AT AURORA, OREGON, WILL CONDUCT APPROPRIATE  
INVESTIGATION CONCERNING SUSPECT'S CURRENT LOCATION AND  
WHEREABOUTS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD. WILL ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN  
A CURRENT PHOTO, NOTING SUSPECT WAS LISTED AS PRESIDENT OF  
AIR CARRIERS, INC.

DENVER AT DENVER, COLORADO WILL CONDUCT APPROPRIATE  
BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION CONCERNING SUSPECT, NOTING HE WAS  
SUBJECT OF FEDERAL CASE INVOLVING MAIL FRAUD AND POSSIBLE  
SUBJECT IN A CRIME ON GOVERNMENT RESERVATION CASE INVOLVING  
PASSING OF FRAUDULENT CHECKS. WILL ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN A  
CURRENT PHOTO OF SUSPECT.

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DALLAS AT LUBBOCK, TEXAS, WILL CONTACT FEDERAL  
PENITENTIARY. ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH SUSPECT'S CURRENT  
LOCATION AND OBTAIN CURRENT PHOTO.

IN VIEW OF NATURE OF CRIME SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED  
DANGEROUS.

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REC OK FBI PORTLAND CLR TU

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FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)1 page

NORJACK.

RE SEATTLE AIRTEL TO PORTLAND DECEMBER SIX SEVENTYONE.

SUSPECT: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], PORTLAND, OREGON.

SUSPECT, [REDACTED], WAS

WORKING NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE UNTIL AFTER FIVE P.M.,

AND [REDACTED], BELIEVES HE BEARS NO

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RESEMBLANCE TO ARTIST'S SKETCH, ALSO HE IS TRUSTED EMPLOYEE. PENDING.

① - Portland

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) ( 1P)

NORJACK

RE SACRAMENTO AIRTEL TO SEATTLE DATED DECEMBER SIX, SEVENTYONE.  
SUSPECT HAROLD LEE DOWELL

ON DECEMBER TWELVE, SEVENTYONE, WITNESSES [ ] AND

[ ] EMPLOYEES OF NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES, OBSERVED A  
PHOTOGRAPH OF SUSPECT AND STATED THEY BELIEVED IT WAS NOT THE  
HIJACKER.

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) ( 1P)

NORJACK

RE WFO AIRTEL TO SEATTLE, DATED DECEMBER SEVEN, SEVENTYONE.

SUSPECT RALPH V. GALOPE

ON DECEMBER TWELVE, SEVENTYONE, WITNESSES [ ] AND

[ ] EMPLOYEES OF NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES, OBSERVED A  
PHOTOGRAPH OF SUSPECT AND STATED THEY BELIEVED IT WAS NOT THE  
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164-41-390

1 - Portland  
JSG:pjb (1)Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in ChargeSent 1:58 p M Per [Signature]

NR016 WA PLAIN

3:14 PM URGENT 12-13-71 JTJ

TO PORTLAND

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

DALLAS, ORE.

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REVIEW OF IDENTIFICATION DIVISION RECORDS CONCERNING

[REDACTED] DEVELOPED POSSIBLE SUSPECT [REDACTED],

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FBI NUMBER [REDACTED] HAS BEEN ARRESTED

[REDACTED] BY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, DALLAS, OREGON, THE

LAST TIME BEING [REDACTED] UNDER NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. PORTLAND CONSIDER [REDACTED] AS POSSIBLE SUSPECT IN CAPTIONED  
MATTER AND CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION.

END

LJQ

REC OK FBI PORTLAND CLR TU

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Tel call from Bureau 12/13/71 said S.O. The Dalles, Ore.  
This lead assigned [REDACTED] should be Dallas, Ore.

DALLAS LEAD - [REDACTED]

ADVISED 5:20 P.M. 12/13/71 WJ

THE DALLAS - [REDACTED] advised  
on 12/14/71 9:10 AM to Discontinue.  
WJ/B

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(Priority)

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

NORJACK.

SUMMARY TELETYPEINVESTIGATION IN PORTLAND TERRITORY HAS DEVELOPED NO  
SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION TO DATE.

①- PORTLAND (164-41)

NBB: csm

(1) *NBB*

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\_\_\_\_\_ *2* \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in ChargeSent 5:39 M Per *[Signature]*

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NR003 SE PLAIN

540PM NITEL 12/13/71 VAB

TO PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 1P

@LYDE KENNEDY

NORJAK.

RE PORTLAND NITEL, DECEMBER ELEVEN LAST AND RE UNSUB OBSERVED  
IN VEHICLE WITH CALIFORNIA LICENSE .

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REFERENCED NITEL MAKES STATEMENT THAT KENNEDY CLOSELY RESEMBLES THE SKETCH OF UNSUB, HOWEVER, KENNEDY IS DEFINITELY NOT HIM. PORTLAND IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE BASIS FOR ELIMINATING KENNEDY AS SUSPECT IN THIS MATTER. P

END

*To TEL TO SE 12/14/71  
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(Priority)

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1 pages

NORJAK

RE TELEPHONE CALL FROM SA [REDACTED] TO SA THOMAS MANNING,  
DECEMBER ELEVEN SEVENTYONE.

WITNESS [REDACTED]

IN CONFIRMATION OF REFERENCED TELEPHONE CALL, WITNESS STATED  
HE RESIDES AT [REDACTED] VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON,  
PHONE [REDACTED] AND HE KNOWS AN  
INDIVIDUAL HE DID NOT DESIRE TO IDENTIFY ON THE TELEPHONE. THIS  
PERSON HAS IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING THE HIJACKING. SA MANNING  
WAS IMMEDIATELY FURNISHED THIS INFORMATION AND  
SAID HE WILL APPROPRIATELY INTERVIEW WITNESS [REDACTED] PENDING.

① Portland

NBB:lbt (1)

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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5:40p

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Per

DB Cooper-40781

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Date: 12/13/71

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Via

TELETYPE-URGENT

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL - REGISTERED

(Priority)

TO:

SAC, SEATTLE  
SAC, SACRAMENTO

FROM:

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re Seattle airtel to Portland, 12/8/71.

RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

~~ON 12/10/71~~, [REDACTED], DOB [REDACTED],  
CII [REDACTED], was developed as a suspect in captioned matter.

On 12/10/71, Sgt. [REDACTED] Multnomah County  
SO, Intelligence Division, Portland, Oregon, advised ~~that~~  
through his own investigation, no photograph for [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] is available in the State of Oregon. Sgt.  
[REDACTED] suggested ~~that~~ photograph might be obtained at  
~~San~~ San Joaquin, California, PD or SO.

~~LEAD~~~~SACRAMENTO~~

SACRAMENTO WILL

~~AT SAN JOAQUIN, CALIFORNIA~~ contact ~~San~~  
San Joaquin PD and SO in ~~an~~ attempt to obtain a photograph  
of suspect [REDACTED] and ~~report results to Seattle.~~  
FORWARD PHOTOS TO SE and PD.

- 2- Sacramento (AM) (RM)
- 2- Seattle (164-81) (AM) (RM)
- 2- Portland

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Special Agent in Charge

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Date: 12/13/71

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SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) AND SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

NORJAK

RE LAS VEGAS TEL TO PD, 12/2/71.

RECONTACTS WITH [REDACTED] (PROTECT IDENTITY), HILLSBORO,  
OREGON, DISCLOSED IDENTITY OF SUSPECT HE HAD IN MIND IS (FNU)

[REDACTED], CARSON CITY, NEVADA. ACCORDING TO

[REDACTED] TRAILER PARK AT ABOVE ADDRESS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AT SPARKS, NEV.

RPH

164-41-396

Approved: M/26R

Special Agent in Charge

Sent

LV 9:35pm  
SE 6:47p MPer 82W

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NR005 SE PLAIN

707 PM NITEL 12/13/71 FEE

TO PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 1P

NORJAK.

Suspect:

[REDACTED]

LEAD TO PD

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RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM [REDACTED] (PROTECT), SEATTLE,

THAT [REDACTED], FORMERLY OF SEATTLE, RESEMBLES ARTIST'S COMPOSITE  
OF HIJACKER. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] REPORTEDLY WORKING AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IN PORTLAND AS OF [REDACTED] YEARS AGO.

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WMA, FIVE FEET NINE, SLENDER - ONE FIVE  
ZERO POUNDS, DARK STRAIGHT HAIR, APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] YEARS OLD.

INDICIES AND SEATTLE PD RECORD CHECK NEGATIVE.

PORTLAND AT PORTLAND, OREGON, WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE AND  
INTERVIEW [REDACTED] RE WHEREABOUTS ON NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR,  
NINETEEN SEVENTY-ONE.

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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NR006 SE PLAIN

709 PM NITEL 12/13/71 FEE

TO BUTTE

PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 2P

LEAD AT REDMOND

NORJAK.

FOR INFORMATION OF BUTTE AND PORTLAND, OMAHA NITEL TO  
SEATTLE, DECEMBER TWO LAST, REFLECTED AS FOLLOWS:

ON THAT DATE [REDACTED] (PROTECT), [REDACTED], NEBRASKA, ADVISED  
THAT [REDACTED] (PHONETIC), [REDACTED], WASHINGTON, HAD  
DISCUSSED CAPTIONED-TYPED HIJACKING AMONGST [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] REFUSED TO DISCUSS WITH [REDACTED] AT THAT TIME.

[REDACTED] WAS REPORTEDLY [REDACTED]

ON DECEMBER EIGHT LAST, FRANCIS LUFKIN, IN CHARGE OF FOREST  
SERVICE, NORTH CASCADE SMOKE JUMPERS BASE, TWISP, WASHINGTON,  
ADVISED HE HAS BEEN IN CHARGE THERE SINCE THIRTY-NINE AND NEVER  
HEARD OF [REDACTED]. HE SAID HE WOULD IMMEDIATELY REVIEW ALL  
PERSONNEL RECORDS. BECAUSE OF HEAVY SNOW, HE WAS UNABLE TO  
END PAGE ONE

ADVISED 12/11/71 9:20 AM  
MS

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SE (164-81)

REVIEW RECORDS UNTIL DECEMBER THIRTEEN, AND STATED THEY CONTAINED NO  
REFERENCE TO [REDACTED] OR ANYONE WITH SIMILAR NAME.

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BUTTE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] PORTLAND CONTACT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AND CONTACT EITHER [REDACTED]

THERE TO SEE IF

THEY CAN IDENTIFY [REDACTED]

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END.

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REMOVED

NR012 SE PLAIN

713 PM NITEL 12/13/71 FEE

TO ANCHORAGE (164-59) --VIA WASH DC--

PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 1P



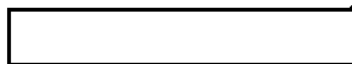
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*ELIMINATED*

NORJAK.

RE BT NITEL NOVEMBER TWENTY-NINE, SEVENTY-ONE, TO AN AND PD  
AND SE; AN AIRTEL TO SE DECEMBER THREE LAST; SE TELETYPE TO PD  
DECEMBER EIGHT LAST, AND PD TELETYPE TO SE, AN AND BT DECEMBER  
TEN LAST.

SUSPECT



ELIMINATED AS HIJACKER. DISCONTINUE

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INVESTIGATION ON



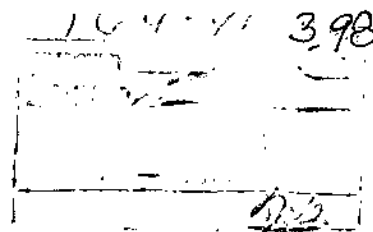
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NR018 LA PLAIN

953 PM NITEL 12/13/71 DAB

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

KANSAS CITY (164-80)

PORTLAND (164-41)

SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497)

NORJAK

RE SAN FRANCISCO TEL TO SEATTLE DECEMBER ELEVEN LAST.

RE SUSPECTS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED FBI, LOS ANGELES THIS

DATE. [REDACTED] INTERVIEWED AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SUN VALLEY, CALIFORNIA. HE DENIES ANY  
KNOWLEDGE OF CAPTIONED MATTER, IDENTITY OF [REDACTED] OR  
ANYONE WHO IS A PARACHUTIST. UNABLE TO EXPLAIN WHY ANYONE  
WOULD NAME HIM AS PRINCIPAL AND CLAIMS FEAR OF PLANES. HAS  
NO KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS. [REDACTED] VOLUNTARILY

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TRAVELED TO FBI OFFICE TO HAVE PHOTO TAKEN. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

DECEMBER NINE LAST, WHEN HE LEARNED FBI WAS LOOKING FOR HIM.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. ON NOVEMBER TWENTYSEVEN HE WAS ARRESTED

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATES SEVERAL VISITS MADE TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PORTLAND

AND MAY HAVE BEEN THERE DURING PERTINENT PERIOD.

[REDACTED] PLANS RETURN TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. HIS DESCRIPTION SAME AS PREVIOUSLY SET

FORTH.

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LA 164-497

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LOS ANGELES FORWARDING PHOTOGRAPH OF [REDACTED] VIA AIRTEL.

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KANSAS CITY AT KANSAS CITY MISSOURI, DISCONTINUE EFFORTS  
TO LOCATE [REDACTED].

PORTLAND INTERVIEW JIM DISNEY, TWO ZERO EIGHT SIX <sup>SW</sup> KIERNEY  
IN AN EFFORT TO ESTABLISH [REDACTED] WHEREABOUTS DURING PERTINENT  
PERIOD. IF NECESSARY CONTACT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED].

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

END

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Date: 12/13/71

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(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE(164-81)  
SAC, LOS ANGELES  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND(164-41)  
NORJACK  
SUSPECT- [REDACTED]

ON 12/13/71, CORPORAL [REDACTED] OREGON STATE POLICE  
REEDSPORT, OREGON ADVISED CONTACTED BY [REDACTED]  
UMPQUA CAFE, REEDSPORT, WHO STATED, THAT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] IS DEAD RINGER FOR UNSUB IN CAPTIONED MATTER.  
[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS [REDACTED] 5'10", 160, DARK HAIR, CONVENTIONAL  
CUT, RECEDING HAIR LINE, HIGH FOREHEAD, DARK EYES, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SO CONVINCED OF LIKENESS THAT HE CALLED ANAHEIM PD,  
ANAHEIM CALIFORNIA, WHERE [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] PD ADVISED [REDACTED]

LEAD: LOS ANGELES  
AT ANAHEIM: WILL DETERMINE [REDACTED] WHEREABOUTS THRU  
PD AND DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL TO UNSUB.

JWR:jwr

164-41-400

Approved: *Mallon* *JWR*

Special Agent in Charge

Sent

SE 12:35  
LA 11:19 AMPer *JWR*

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SE 164-81  
JSG:pjb  
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The following investigation was conducted at  
Portland, Oregon, by SA [redacted]

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On December 10, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted] employees of Northwest Orient Airlines and witnesses  
of the hijacking, observed photographs of the below-listed  
suspects with negative results:

JESSE EDWIN BELL  
RALPH VINCENT GALOPE  
MARVIN JOHN COOPER  
HAROLD LEE DOWELL

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[redacted]

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*gals*  
*c/a Hummelbach*

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 12/13/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: NORJACK

WEATHER INFORMATION

Contained within the 1-A section of this file are teletype aviation weather reports dated 11/24/71 received from the Flight Service Station, 5410 N.E. Marine Drive, Portland, Oregon.

At 8:00 p.m., 11/24/71, Portland weather was reported as clouds 1,500 feet scattered, 2,600 feet (measured) broken, ceiling 5,000 feet overcast; visibility seven miles with light rain showers; temperature 42 degrees F., dew point 38 degrees F; surface winds from 270 degrees (west) at ten knots; barometric pressure 30.03 pounds per square inch, winds aloft at 10,000 feet were from W.S.W. at 22 knots; temperature minus 18 degrees C.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE 12/13/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

FRANK J. MARCOTTE  
ELIMINATED

Re SAC memo 11/29/71, from SA THOMAS J. DUGAN concerning unknown suspect; pilot for Umatilla Army Depot, possible suspect.

On 12/3/71, [REDACTED], who resides at [REDACTED], Umatilla, Oregon, identified a UAD color photograph of FRANK J. MARCOTTE as the UAD employee whom he believed looked like the sketch of the hijacker he saw in "The Oregonian" newspaper.

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On 12/3/71, [REDACTED] UAD, stated FRANK J. MARCOTTE was formerly a pilot for UAD, but this job was discontinued and MARCOTTE is now employed in property disposal. He has been employed at UAD since March, 1968. He is a white, male, American, born October 29, 1917, 5'7", 135 pounds, brown hair, mostly gray, brown eyes, slender build and married. His social security number is 537-09-7548. He resides at 2134 N First Street, Hermiston, Oregon, and on November 24, 1971, took two hours annual leave and left UAD about 1:30 PM. MARCOTTE has an excellent work record and his file contains nothing unfavorable.

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On 12/3/71, [REDACTED] Happy Haven Motel, 2134 N First Street, Hermiston, stated MARCOTTE has roomed alone in unit 15 Sunday, Monday to Friday each week since summer 1968, and on weekends goes home to his family at Lake Oswego, Oregon. [REDACTED] does not know if MARCOTTE came back to the motel the afternoon of 11/24/71. She said he

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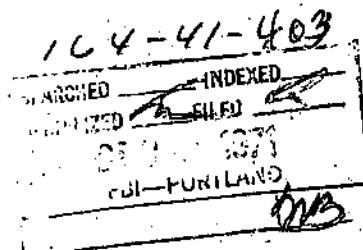
② - Portland

BRS:sao

(2) 500



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probably went directly home from UAD. She considers him an excellent tenant and has had no reason to question his character or reputation.

On 12/6/71, FRANK J. MARCOTTE, property disposal, UAD, stated he left the depot about 1:30 PM, 11/24/71, and drove to his residence 172 4th Street, Lake Oswego, Oregon, arriving about 4:00 PM. His father J. E. MARCOTTE who also lives at 172 4th Street, was there when he arrived. MARCOTTE stated he is not the hijacker and has no information regarding this matter.

It was observed that Mr. MARCOTTE's hair is predominately gray and fairly thick with no noticeable balding.

In view of his stature and general appearance, no further investigation is recommended.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 10, 1971

[redacted], Industrial Relations, Radiation International, Inc., 1900 N.E. Sandy Boulevard, Portland, Oregon, made available the employment file for FLOYD J. SINDER. The following pertinent information was contained therein:

Name	FLOYD J. SNIDER
Wife	[redacted]
Last known address	[redacted] Wood Village, Oregon (December, 1970)
Date of birth	February 13, 1929
Place of birth	Unknown
Height	5'11" (1960)
Weight	160 pounds (1960)
Employment	Radiation International, Inc. (terminated July 2, 1971 as a result of reduction of work force)
Occupation	Journeyman lathe operator (since May 11, 1953)
Service record	U.S. Army (January 10, 1951 - December 1, 1952) served in Infantry in Japan and Korea
References	[redacted] [redacted] Portland, Oregon no exact address given (1953) [redacted] Portland, Oregon (1953) [redacted] Portland, Oregon (1953)
Salary at time of termination	\$840 per month
Previous employment	TV antenna installer (Teletrone) Don Becher Furniture (1949)

On 11/30/71 at Portland, Oregon File # PD 164-41-404  
 by SA [redacted] and [redacted] /SRR:kdd Date dictated 12/7/71

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Thereafter, [ ] furnished the following information regarding Radiation International, Inc., of which Electronics Speciality was a subsidiary previous to a recent merger:

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SNIDER, previous to his employment as a journeyman lathe operator, started with the company as a general beginner's helper, was promoted to drill press operator, culminating with final position of lathe operator. His occupation as lathe operator did not indicate that he was skilled in the area of electronics, and in fact, Radiation International, Inc did not manufacture any electronic equipment or components. It was engaged in prefabricating and manufacturing various component parts to airplanes, such as wing assemblies, door assemblies, etc. These parts were manufactured as separate items, and in no way would a person being employed at Radiation International be familiar with the construction of the total airplane. All recommendations of supervisors of SNIDER at the time of his termination were favorable, and there was nothing in SNIDER's personnel file of an unfavorable nature. No hobbies were indicated in his personnel file, nor was [ ] knowledgeable regarding anyone employed by his plant who would have interests in parachuting.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 10, 1971

[redacted] FLOYD J. SNIDER, Radiation International, Inc., 1900 N.E. Sandy Boulevard, Portland, Oregon, furnished the following information:

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FLOYD J. SNIDER was known to him as a quiet individual, and he never discussed his hobbies with him. He was not aware of any parachuting or flying that SNIDER may have done and had contacted various people in the plant who were licensed pilots, and to his knowledge, SNIDER never flew an airplane, nor had he ever participated in anything such as parachuting. He did not know SNIDER's current address and upon viewing the composite sketch of the hijacker in this matter, he advised that this person did not remind him of FLOYD J. SNIDER in any manner.

On 11/30/71 at Portland, Oregon File # PD 164-41 - 405  
by SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] /SRR:kdd Date dictated 12/7/71

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12/5/71

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY  
FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P)  
SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING  
EXTORTION

D. B. COOPER LTR

RENO

NO PD LEADS

Re Las Vegas teletype to the Bureau, 12/2/71.

Enclosed for the Laboratory is a note reading, "Plan Ahead for Retirement Income D. B. Cooper", and envelope addressed to "Reno Gazette", Reno, Nevada, postmarked US Postal Service CA, 956, PM, Dec 1, 1971, and one set of elimination prints of [redacted].

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[redacted] "Reno Evening Gazette", on 12/12/71, advised above described letter had been received at the Gazette in the afternoon mail, 12/2/71. He said that he himself had touched the letter and that another employee, [redacted], had handled the letter.

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Post Office, Reno, Nevada, advised that 956 is the Sacramento sector and covers numerous towns.

[redacted] prints have been sent to the Laboratory with previous note. The Laboratory is requested to search note through anonymous letter file and process for latent impressions.

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- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 3)
  - 1 - Portland (Info)
  - 1 - Seattle (Info)
  - 1 - Sacramento (Info)
  - 1 - Las Vegas
- JAH:mte  
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*[Handwritten signatures and initials]*

# REPORT of the



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Portland (164-41)

Date: December 8, 1971

Re: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71;  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

FBI File No. 164-2111

Lab. No. D-711206135 LL  
D-711206138 LL

Specimens received 12/6/71 from Portland

- Q5 Envelope postmarked "U. S. POSTAL SERVICE 970 PM  
1 DEC 1971," bearing hand printed address "Editor -  
OREGONIAN 1320 S. W. BROADWAY 97201"
- Q6 Accompanying one-page letter with cutout words bearing  
message beginning "AM ALIVE AND doing Well . . ." and  
ending "D. B. COOPeR"

Specimens received 12/6/71 from New York

- Q7 Envelope postmarked "PORTLAND OREG. P O NOV 3 - '71,"  
bearing hand printed address "Editor, For Men Only  
625 Madison Av. New York. NY 10022." and return  
address [redacted]

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- Q8 Accompanying letter dated 11/29/71 beginning [redacted]  
[redacted] ending [redacted]  
[redacted]

- Q9 First page of four-page article entitled [redacted]  
[redacted] beginning [redacted]  
[redacted] and ending [redacted]  
[redacted]

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- Q10 Second page of four-page article beginning [redacted]  
[redacted] and ending [redacted]  
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- Q11 Third page of four-page article beginning [redacted]  
[redacted]

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- Q12 Fourth page of four-page article beginning [redacted]  
[redacted] and ending [redacted]  
[redacted]

DB Cooper-40801

**Result of examination:**

Q5 through Q12 were not identified in the Anonymous Letter File. Appropriate copies of these specimens have been added to this file for future reference.

No watermarks, indented writing or other features were found on Q5 through Q12 which would be of value in determining the source of these specimens. It is noted that indented impressions of the Q5 address appear on Q6.

No connection could be established between Q5 through Q12 and the specimens previously submitted by Las Vegas, designated Q1 and Q2, and by Philadelphia, designated Q3 and Q4. It is noted in this regard that the hand printing on Q5 is distorted and it could not be determined whether it was prepared by the person(s) who prepared the distorted hand printing on Q1.

The submitted evidence was photographed and will be returned separately.



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: SAC, Portland (164-41)

Date: December 8, 1971

Re: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71;  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

OO: Seattle

FBI File No. 164-2111  
Lab. No. D-711206135 LL  
D-711206138 LL

Examination requested by: Portland, New York

Reference: Airtels 12/2/71, 12/4/71

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

*D.B. COOPER LTR (ORIGINAL)*  
*G.D. HANDY LTR*

Remarks:

The submitted evidence will be returned with  
the fingerprint report.

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12/3/71

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MILWAUKEE

FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
HONORABLE AIRLINE FLIGHT 305,  
11/24/71  
CWA - HIRSHKINS

OO: SEWELL



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NO PD LEADS

[REDACTED]  
Minnesota, appeared at the Minneapolis Office and advised  
that on Friday, 12/3/71, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], from an individual driving a green 1970 Toyota  
which bore Wisconsin license plates. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] paid bills  
with several \$20- bills.

[REDACTED] described [REDACTED] as a white male,  
age approximately [REDACTED] lean build, gray hair, 5'9", 150 lbs.

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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[ ] stated that [ ] bore some resemblance to the artist's conception of Unsub, and in view of the [ ] and making payments in \$20-bills, he felt he should bring this situation to the attention of the FBI inasmuch as it could have some connection with instant hijacking.

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MILWAUKEE

AT RACINE, WISCONSIN

Will conduct appropriate investigation concerning [ ] to determine if he is identical with Unsub.

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**AIRTEL**

**TO: DIRECTOR, FBI**  
**ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION-LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION**

**FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) (P)**

**SUBJECT: JAMES aka**  
**Dan Cooper;**  
**NORTHWEST AIRLINES**  
**FLIGHT 305, PORTLAND**  
**TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71**  
**CIA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION**

**TICKET**

**OO: Seattle**

Re Minneapolis teletype to Bureau, 12/7/71  
and Portland teletype to Minneapolis, 12/6/71.

Enclosed for Bureau is ticket purchased by  
hijacker.

[redacted]  
[redacted] Northwest Airlines, Minneapolis International  
Airport, Minneapolis, Minnesota, furnished the original  
of NWAL ticket number 012-144303773-0 dated 11/24/71 and  
issued to DAN COOPER for passage on NWAL flight 305 from  
Portland to Seattle. This ticket was purchased by  
hijacker of captioned flight.

[redacted] advised this ticket has been handled  
by many NWAL employees and may be of little value in  
developing latent fingerprints.

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3 - Seattle (164-81)  
2 - Portland (164-41)  
2 - Minneapolis  
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Student of Latent Fingerprint Section conduct  
latent fingerprint exam on this flight coupon to attempt  
to develop any latent prints of value.

ALLIED AND ASSOCIATES

12/9/71

TELETYPE

URGENT

TO SEATTLE 164-81 AND

ALBUQUERQUE

FROM OKLAHOMA CITY 164-56

P

*N: PD LEWIS*

NORJAK

RE:

RE PORTLAND TEL TO SEATTLE, ET AL DEC. EIGHT LAST

THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION WAS CONDUCTED BY SA

[REDACTED], OKLA., DEC. NINE INSTANT:

[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED]

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE IN POSITION TO KNOW ADVISED [REDACTED]

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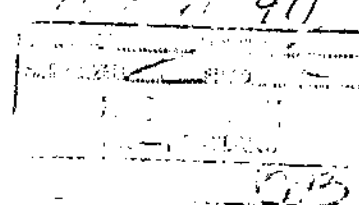
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[REDACTED], EXACT DATES

OF ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE UNKNOWN. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] UNTIL RECENTLY IN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NORMALLY LIVES [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

OKLAHOMA RESIDENCE TODAY.  
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[REDACTED] SEVERAL [REDACTED] IN OKLAHOMA WHO

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PHOTOGRAPH NOT AVAILABLE BUT SOURCE WILL ATTEMPT TO  
LOCATE ONE.

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WMA, BORN [REDACTED], FULL  
HEAD OF BLOND HAIR, BLUE EYES; HEAVY DARK BEARD, ALTHOUGH  
NORMALLY CLEANSHAVEN; APPROXIMATELY FIVE EIGHT, ONE THIRTY  
LBS. HAS ERECT POSTURE [REDACTED]

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NO

ARRESTS KNOWN.

ARREST RECORD CHECKS, OKLAHOMA, [REDACTED] NEGATIVE.

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ALBUQUERQUE AT FARMINGTON. DETERMINE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CURRENT LOCATION AND HIS LOCATION ON NOV. TWENTYFOUR  
LAST. INTERVIEW IF APPROPRIATE. OBTAIN PHOTO AND FORWARD  
SEATTLE. AM CC PORTLAND  
END

DB Cooper-40811



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537



## REPORT

of the

## IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

## LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. 164-60  
 FBI FILE NO. 164-2111  
 LATENT CASE NO. A-45410

December 10, 1971

TO: SAC, Las Vegas

UNSUB.;  
 RE: NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
 PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
 11/24/71  
 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

*D.B. Cooper LTR  
 RENO*

REFERENCE: Airtel 11/30/71  
 EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Las Vegas  
 SPECIMENS: Envelope, Q1  
 Message, Q2

Enclosed specimens described separate  
 Laboratory report.

One latent fingerprint of value Q2. No latent  
 prints of value developed Q1.

Latent fingerprint not identical fingerprints  
 following persons:

Gary Evan Joseph Samdal, FBI #937638D

[Redacted box]

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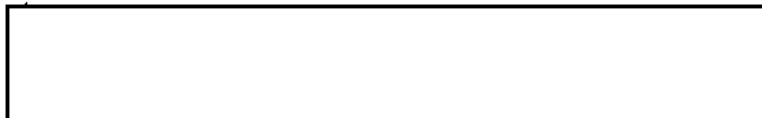
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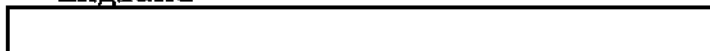
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Harry William Celk, born 10/3/35, Ohio  
Douglas Cooper, born 4/24/25, Cheschir,  
England



This report supplements and confirms Butel  
12/8/71.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted]

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AT MADRAS, OREGON

On November 30, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted], was contacted and interviewed. He advised  
that he knew a [redacted] with whom [redacted]  
[redacted]. As an  
aside, [redacted] mentioned that [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] said it has been [redacted] years  
since he has known [redacted], but had seen him once  
[redacted] in Bend,  
Oregon. He stated he did not know [redacted] current  
whereabouts, but advised that he [redacted]  
[redacted] who lived in Redmond, Oregon, who might know.

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[redacted] viewed an artists sketch of the  
unknown subject hijacker, based on a composite description  
of those who had seen him and advised that it did not bear  
any resemblance to [redacted]. He described [redacted] as  
follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Age	About [redacted] years old
Height	5'7" or 5'8"
Weight	150 pounds
Hair	Blond butch cut hair
Eyes	Blue
Characteristics	Full faced, right handed

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He also doubted that [redacted]  
[redacted]

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He advised that [redacted]  
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he knew nothing about [redacted]

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[redacted] having made a comment about pulling a hijacking and bailing out with ransom money. He advised that he did not know [redacted] middle name.

AT REDMOND, OREGON

On November 30, 1971, [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] has been working [redacted] at Goldendale, Washington,

[redacted]  
She said that his address is [redacted], Goldendale, but that [redacted]

[redacted]  
She advised that [redacted] was currently living at Spokane, Washington, but that she did not have his exact address. She described [redacted] as follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Age	In his [redacted]
Height	5'9"
Hair	Reddish blond hair, butch cut,
Eyes	Blue

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She viewed the composite sketch and advised that it did not bear much resemblance to [redacted]. She did not have a photo of [redacted], nor did she know his middle name. She said that [redacted]

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[redacted]  
[redacted] Reno, Nevada, and Vancouver, Washington, and has [redacted]

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that [redacted]  
[redacted] Oregon, would have more information  
on [redacted]

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AT SISTERS, OREGON

On November 30, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted] was contacted and interviewed. She  
advised that she [redacted]  
[redacted], Spokane, Washington. She  
advised that he was [redacted]  
[redacted] She viewed the composite sketch and advised that  
it did not bear any resemblance to [redacted].

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With regard to her son L. D. COOPER,  
she advised that he has a nervous disorder for which  
he received a disability discharge from the Navy in  
about 1955. She said he receives only \$25 a month  
for this disability, yet can not hold a steady job  
because of it. She said that he is often despondent  
about it, and has been in and out of the VA Hospitals  
at Vancouver, Washington, and Reno, Nevada, where he has  
received psychiatric treatment. She said that while living  
and receiving treatment in Reno, he worked as a dish washer  
and lived with his wife at the Black Jack Motel. She  
advised that his wife, PHYLLIS, committed suicide in  
Reno on January 4, 1971. She said that [redacted]  
[redacted]

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She stated that sometime in October, 1971,  
L. D. COOPER left the VA Hospital at Vancouver, Washington,  
and has not been seen nor heard from since.

She viewed the artists composite sketch and  
advised that it was not L. D. COOPER. She had no  
photograph available. She provided the following description  
of L. D. COOPER, however, which matches somewhat that of  
the unknown subject.

Name  
Alias

LYNN DOYLE COOPER  
Bill Cooper

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Date of Birth  
Place of Birth  
Height  
Weight  
Hair  
Eyes

September 17, 1933  
Shell Knob, Missouri  
5'11"  
160 to 165 pounds  
Black  
Blue

12/13/71

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

NORJAK

Re Portland airtels to Director, 12/6/71 and 12/8/71;  
telephone call from [redacted] SOG, to Portland, 12/13/71.

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Portland did not retain copy of the D. B. COOPER letter referred to in referenced airtels. The letter was addressed to the "Oregonian," a local Portland newspaper. It contained words to the effect "I'm D. B. Cooper and I'm in Portland. The \$200,000 is for the revolution." The letter was hand printed.

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2 - Portland

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The following investigation was conducted  
by SA [REDACTED]

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AT REDMOND, OREGON

On December 6, 1971, [REDACTED]  
U. S. Forest Service, Smoke Jump Center, was contacted.  
Already in possession of the artists composite sketch  
of the unknown hijacker, [REDACTED] advised that he had given  
much thought to former graduates of the Smoke Jump  
School and said that he could come up with no one in  
his memory that bore a resemblance to the person in the  
sketch.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]:

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On December 1, 1971, [redacted] Oregon Department of Motor Vehicles, Salem, Oregon, advised that [redacted] has Oregon Driver's License number [redacted]. His address is shown as [redacted] Dallas, Oregon. [redacted] is described as 5'10", 160 pounds, date of birth [redacted].

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On December 2, 1971, unsuccessful attempts were made to locate [redacted] at [redacted], Dallas, Oregon.

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On the same date, Chief of Police JIM GREENE, Dallas, Oregon, advised that [redacted] Dallas. Chief GREENE said he does not feel that [redacted] resembles the composite sketch of the skyjacker.

Attempts to locate [redacted] on December 3, and December 6, 1971, were unsuccessful at [redacted] Dallas.

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On December 7, 1971, [redacted] was located at [redacted], Dallas. He was cooperative in furnishing information regarding [redacted] and said he knew of no one who possibly could be responsible for the skyjacking.

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[redacted], age [redacted] stated he was employed [redacted] during the last week of November, 1971, and could furnish no information regarding the identity of the skyjacker. [redacted], and does not resemble the composite sketch of the skyjacker.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 14, 1971

[redacted], employee, Northwest Airlines,  
Portland International Airport, Portland, Oregon,  
advised photograph of [redacted] is not  
familiar to him.

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On 12/13/71 at Portland, Oregon File # PD 164-41 - 417  
by SA [redacted] njm Date dictated 12/13/71

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] at Klamath Falls, Oregon:

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On December 9, 1971, [redacted] Officer,  
Oregon State Police (OSP), Altamont Drive, advised that  
he had received information from a source [redacted]

[redacted]  
[redacted] was the person who hijacked  
the Northwest Airlines plane out of Seattle, Washington,  
on November 25, 1971.

On December 9, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted], telephone [redacted], was interviewed at [redacted]  
[redacted]. She advised [redacted]  
[redacted] whom she  
believed is the plane hijacker known as D.B. COOPER. She  
said that [redacted] bears a marked resemblance to the artist's  
conception of the hijacker judging from the sketch that she  
has seen in the papers. She said that, in addition to  
the resemblance, her major reasons for thinking he is  
the hijacker are that [redacted]

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[redacted]  
[redacted]. She advised that he has lived in Washington  
State in the past [redacted]

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Further, she advised that she recalls on the  
occasion of one of the hijackings in the past two years,

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c/a H'bach [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

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FD 164-41  
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[redacted] commented [redacted]  
[redacted]

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She said they met in Klamath Falls, Oregon,

[redacted]

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She advised [redacted]

[redacted]

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in Klamath Falls, but she had no specific information  
on their names or addresses.

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[redacted] provided four photographs taken of [redacted]  
[redacted] and provided the following  
descriptive information:

Name	[redacted]
Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of birth	[redacted]
Height	5'11"
Weight	170 pounds
Hair	Black
Eyes	Hazel
Build	Medium
Complexion	Olive
Remarks	Wears regular glasses as well as prescription sunglasses.

On December 10, 1971, [redacted]  
Merchant's Credit Service, Incorporated, 200 Williams  
Building, advised that [redacted] has been on file  
with her credit service since [redacted]. She  
advised that [redacted]

[redacted]

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 14, 1971

[redacted], employee of Northwest Airlines, viewed photographs of the following individuals and advised he could not identify any of them as being the hijacker:

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On 12/14/71 at Portland, Oregon File # PD 164-41 - 419  
by SA [redacted] /njm Date dictated 12/14/71

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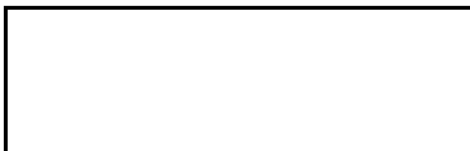
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Date December 14, 1971

[redacted] employee, Northwest Airlines,  
Portland International Airport, Portland, Oregon, viewed  
photographs of the following individuals and advised he could  
not identify any of them as being the hijacker:

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Portland, Oregon

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On \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ File # \_\_\_\_\_

SA

[redacted]

njm

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by \_\_\_\_\_ Date dictated \_\_\_\_\_

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The following investigation was conducted by SA  
[redacted] on December 1, 1971:

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AT PORTLAND, OREGON

[redacted] who resides at [redacted]  
[redacted] home telephone [redacted], was contacted at her place  
of employment, [redacted]  
[redacted] located in the [redacted]  
[redacted] telephone [redacted] advised  
that she was formerly [redacted]

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[redacted] She viewed the composite sketch of the skyjacker and  
stated that she was unable to recall any of her acquaintances  
as matching the general description. [redacted] stated that  
she would immediately contact the FBI should any person  
matching with the description come to her attention.

The following persons and agencies were contacted  
relative to the possible hijack suspect known as [redacted]  
[redacted] white, male, American, 5'8", 145 pounds, with negative  
results:

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[redacted] Files Division,  
Portland Police Department;

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The Retail Credit Association of Portland, Inc.,  
Pittock Block, 921 SW Washington, [redacted];

The 1971 Portland City Directory.

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[redacted]  
ca H'BOCH  
[redacted] b6  
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DB Cooper-40828



PD 164-41

JJH:kdd

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on December 13, 1971:

AT PORTLAND, OREGON

[ ] residence address [ ]  
[ ], Portland, telephone [ ], business  
address [ ]  
[ ], Portland, telephone [ ], was interviewed  
at his place of business, where he is employed [ ]  
[ ]

While there is a resemblance of [ ] to  
the compsite of the hijacker, there are enough significant  
differences to eliminate him as the subject.

The following description of [ ]  
was obtained through observation:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Age	Approximately [ ] years
Height	5'9"
Weight	160 pounds
Hair	Light brown
Eyes	Brown

164-422  
[ ]  
A. Himmelsbach

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)

DATE: 12/14/71

FROM :

SA

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SUBJECT:

NORJAK

On 12/13/71, at 7:28 a.m.,  SOG, telephonically requested information regarding the D. B. COOPER letter which was referred to in Portland airtels to the Bureau dated 12/6/71, and 12/8/71.  said on the basis of the information available at the Bureau, this particular letter could not be identified.

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By airtel to Bureau dated 12/13/71, the Bureau was furnished information concerning the content of the D. B. COOPER letter referred to above.

(2) - Portland

JSG:lbt

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164-41-423



RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka Dan Cooper;

NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,

PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,

11/24/71

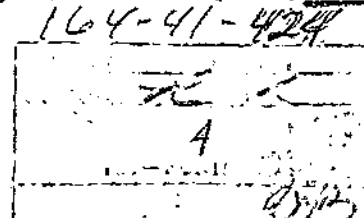
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Post Office Box 709  
Portland, Oregon 97207

December 14, 1971

Chief of Police Arthur Enderlin  
West Linn Police Department  
West Linn, Oregon

Dear Chief:

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your wholehearted cooperation in assisting this office during the investigation of the hijacking of the Northwest Orient Airliner, November 24, 1971.

Your expert assistance in conducting a search of the pertinent terrain is most appreciated.

Very truly yours,



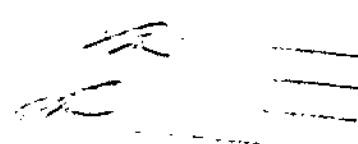
J. L. MATTSON  
Special Agent in Charge

1-Addressee  
1-Portland (164-41) (P)

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Post Office Box 709  
Portland, Oregon 97207

December 14, 1971

Colonel [redacted]  
Oregon Army National Guard Headquarters  
Salem, Oregon

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Dear Colonel:

Permit me to take this opportunity to thank you and your organization for the assistance you rendered this bureau in the investigation of the hijacking of the Northwest Orient Airliner on November 24, 1971.

Of particular assistance in the aerial search of the flight track were Majors Gottlieb and Goyins and their associates at the Portland Air Base.

Your cooperation and the assistance of members of your organization is most deeply appreciated by the FBI.

Very truly yours,

J. L. MATTSON  
Special Agent in Charge

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*Black* *SPK*  
164-41-426

[Redacted]

California

Thursday, December 9, 1971

[Redacted]

Julius Mattson, S.A.

Dear Sir,

I would like to have a copy of that "skyjacker". Although we get the Times Standard sometimes it misses. Over the radio "wicker" I heard he was to drop at Woodland. If you can send me a composite picture of the skyjacker I'd appreciate it and maybe be able to locate him. Either the tree he's hanging in or a hole in the ground. Covered by a 22 pack & a 28 parachute. At the height of MO 24 jet and its speed I don't know how he could land safely.

Best of wishes to you for a picture and a merry Xmas.

Sincerely,

ACKNOWLEDGED  
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1971  
Julius Mattson, S. A.  
Portland,  
Oregon.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

DB Cooper-40835

Post Office Box 709  
Portland, Oregon 97207

December 14, 1971

[redacted]  
[redacted], California [redacted]

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Dear [redacted]:

In response to your letter of December 9, 1971, I am forwarding to you two composite pictures which are artist's sketches of the individual who hijacked a Northwest Airlines plane on November 24, 1971.

If you have any information as to the identity of the hijacker, I would be pleased to hear from you.


Very truly yours,

J. L. MATTSON  
Special Agent in Charge

Enclosures

1-Addressee  
1-Portland (164-41) (P)

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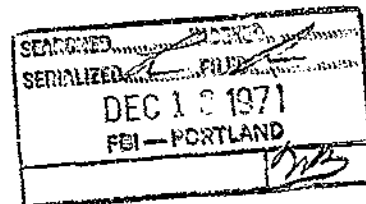
TELEPHONE:

PORTLAND, OREGON

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December 10, 1971

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. COURTHOUSE  
Portland, Oregon 97207



Reference: "D. B. Cooper" hijacking case.  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305, 11/24/71. Portland-Seattle.

Gentlemen,

Since the writer patronizes various airlines in the course of my business, I don't look forward to being on a hijacked plane at some future date. Furthermore, I don't feel any "hero worship" toward the recent hijacker, as some seem to do lately. I am interested only in apprehending the guilty parties involved.

It is encouraging to note that the list of serial numbers of the \$20 bills has been released. On the other hand, from a practical matter, how am I or anyone else going to be able to check the bills in my own possession from a 35-page list not readily available to the public?

I have a suggestion for your consideration, and I hope that through copies of this letter to the editors of the Oregonian and to the Oregon Journal, they will both do their bit to promote the following:-

The prime unanswered question on this case at the moment is whether the hijacker was successful and is alive and well somewhere spending a part of his loot or whether there is an unopened parachute somewhere attached to a corpse. Obviously, when the first 20 dollar bill shows up in trade somewhere, this question will be answered.

Instead of just a few bank and government employees looking for some of the listed serial numbers, consider how many thousands of times more effective it would be if the general public assisted you!

The quick and relatively inexpensive way to do this is for the government to post the list in every major postoffice, along side the "men wanted" posters and simultaneously through the press and TV, offer to purchase the first ten (10) \$20 bills turned in at \$100.00 each! What more incentive could you give the general public to participate? And what a pittance to pay, as compared with the cost to date of your manhunt so far!

Further, many of my friends and possibly most of the general public are erroneously under the impression that if they should find one of these \$20 bills and attempt to report it, it will be confiscated as stolen property. Consequently, no one has any serious thoughts of even looking for the identified bills and would prefer to cover it up rather than report it, if found. Between your office with a purchase offer, and the news media, you could really get a mass inspection program going immediately! I am a concerned citizen.

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Sincerely yours,

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ACKNOWLEDGED  
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cc--The Editor  
The Oregonian  
S. W. Broadway Ave.,  
Portland, Oregon 97204

cc--The Editor  
The Oregon Journal  
S. W. Broadway Ave.,  
Portland, Oregon, 97204

cc--Office of the President  
Northwest Airlines  
Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport  
Minnesota 55111

cc--Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Post Office Box 709  
Portland, Oregon 97207

December 14, 1971

[redacted]  
Portland, Oregon [redacted]

Dear [redacted]:

Reference is made to your letter dated December 10, 1971, setting forth suggestions to assist in identifying and apprehending the individual responsible for hijacking the Northwest Orient Aircraft on November 24, 1971.

Thank you for taking the time and effort to assist in the solution of this case. Your ideas will certainly be given consideration in the investigation of this matter.

Very truly yours,

J. L. MATTSON  
Special Agent in Charge

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1-Portland (164-41) (P)

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Sir:

A would like to help you with some suggestions on how to find D.B. Cooper. You probably have thought of the same things that I'm about to mention or they may have been suggested? But if not here they are. Why not a simalar drop from a 727 with conditions the same except leave the darkness out. Have at least ten 5 kg. Sivers leave at 30 sec intervals along the suspected departure

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route. Have Air and Ground  
observers pick the jumpers  
up. This it seems to me  
would give you some better  
idea where to start digging.

If I was a critic I  
could start picking my idea  
apart. The wind being variable  
and all. Plus some other  
things. But if it hasn't been  
tried who knows? Your  
Ground Search was maybe  
thorough but! And give it  
another try. It's awful easy  
to miss something you  
looking for some times.

Especially if it's blended  
in with surroundings.

Of course what he

many have been wearing plus  
the chute of all most people  
would think he'd be awfully  
easy to spot. But it's not  
that easy. The Shadows  
and different colored foliage  
plus Sunlight which of course  
(SUNLIGHT) you didn't have.

These things can play  
some awful Tricks on the  
Searchers eyes. I've had  
people with me who couldn't  
see a deer 30 FT. away  
in the Brush. There's an  
awful lot of places a  
man could disappear in the  
woods and almost never be  
found. I personally believe  
he's hung up midway

in a Tall tree with the  
chute sticking out in one  
way that it would be  
hard to see from the air  
or ground. What I mean  
is when looking for deer  
you don't look for the  
whole deer, you look for  
an ear or tail or nose.

How many of your  
searchers were looking for  
an elbow or a knee or  
an foot. Probably a majority  
of them were looking for  
old D.B. in the whole.

DB Cooper-40844

Now the snow  
presents a problem. A  
Spring Search is most probable  
But I'd keep up a Winter  
Search also. Page III Please.

III

DB Cooper-40845

By a Winter search I mean  
a Small crew 2 or 4 men  
with <sup>snow</sup> snow. Some who would  
stay up there in the bush  
and look thru trees over  
a little better. Was every  
tree looked at from all sides?

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The reason I mention this  
is so that you might know  
I know a little bit about  
what you're talking about.

[Redacted]

[Redacted] If there is any way I can be of assistance  
Feel free to ask. I am

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Respectfully, Yours

[Redacted]

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Vancouver, Wash.

P.S. (No Phone)

Vancouver, Wash



Federal Bureau of  
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U.S. Federal Bldg.  
Portland, Ore.

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12/14/71

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK

Enclosed for Seattle is copy of letter from [redacted]  
[redacted], Vancouver, Washington.  
[redacted] furnished his observations and offered his assistance  
in this matter.

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No action is being taken by Portland because  
[redacted] resides at Vancouver, Washington.

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2-Portland

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Post Office Box 709  
Portland, Oregon 97207

December 14, 1971

[redacted]  
Oregon Bankers Association  
612 Franklin Building  
Portland, Oregon 97204

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Dear [redacted]:

Enclosed is a notice concerning the hijacking  
of the Northwest Orient Airlines plane on November 24, 1971.

Your assistance in distributing this information  
to the banks in Oregon is certainly appreciated. This  
approach could very well lead to the solution of the case.


Thank you for your help.

Very truly yours,

J. L. MATTSON  
Special Agent in Charge

Enclosure

- 1 - Addressee  
① - Portland (164-41)

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12/14/71

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re Minneapolis airtel to Portland, 12/8/71.

SUSPECT: ROBERT LEE HORTON

Portland Office obtained photograph from Multnomah County Sheriff's Office of HORTON, but this is same photograph as forwarded to Portland by Minneapolis.

[redacted] Adult Parole and Probation Office, State of Oregon, Portland, Oregon, advised on 12/14/71 HORTON is on probation and was last seen by his probation officer, [redacted], on 11/22/71. [redacted] located a picture of HORTON in the file which was taken in 1970 and shows HORTON with sunken cheeks similar to the 5/20/70 picture.

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HORTON's parole officer. [redacted]

[redacted] Date of return to his office is not known.

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Portland will not show photograph of HORTON to Portland witnesses since it has been reported it is not a good likeness.

- 2 - Minneapolis
- 1 - Seattle (164-81) (info)
- ② - Portland

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HORTON resides at 8410 S.W. 2nd Avenue, Portland, Oregon, telephone 244-4520, and is a student at Portland State College.

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AT PORTLAND, OREGON. Will conduct investigation to determine HORTON's whereabouts on 11/24/71.

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Date: 12/13/71

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Priority)

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

Suspect [redacted]b6  
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On December 11, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted], Vancouver, Washington, telephone [redacted]  
telephonically contacted SA MAX FISHER at the Portland Office of  
the FBI. He advised he has information concerning a person who  
could possibly identify the hijacker in captioned matter.

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On December 11, 1971, SA THOMAS J. MANNING telephonically  
contacted [redacted] and spoke with [redacted], who gave  
an address of [redacted], Seattle, Washington, and  
stated that he does not have a listed phone number. [redacted] advised  
that approximately [redacted]

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[redacted]  
this person gave the name of [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] then stole his, [redacted]  
[redacted], which bore Washington license [redacted] on which he  
filed a stolen report with the Portland, Oregon Police Department,  
or the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office.

[redacted] then drove this vehicle  
[redacted]  
that time. The car was recovered in the vicinity of [redacted]  
in Tacoma.

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2 - San Francisco  
2 - Seattle  
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Special Agent in Charge

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[redacted] advised that he could not give an exact date of this theft, but stated that this individual told him that he was from California [redacted]

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[redacted] possibly this individual is identical to the person who had taken his car. [redacted] could not elaborate on information [redacted] Sheriff's Office; however, he pointed out that the information secured from that office was under the name of [redacted] also stated that this individual [redacted] [redacted] stated that this person [redacted] [redacted] but no location of this employment was given.

[redacted] described this person as follows:

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Sex	Male
Race	White
Height	5' 10"
Build	Slim, 160 - 170 pounds
Complexion	Ruddy to dark, possibly olive
Hair	Receding hairline

This individual wore dark glasses and [redacted] [redacted] and the individual whose composite photograph was depicted in the newspapers looks quite a bit like this particular person.

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[redacted] continued that he is interested in securing any reward which Northwest Airlines may be offering for the arrest and conviction of the hijacker, and requested that if the information which he furnishes is positive, and assists in identifying the hijacker that he be contacted by a representative of the airline, in order that the reward money may be claimed. [redacted] was told, as he was told by SA FISHER in the Portland Division that at this time no information has been published concerning a reward, but that his request for this will be kept on file by the FBI.

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SE 164-81

[redacted] also stated that several people at the [redacted]  
[redacted] (last name unknown)  
knows or recalls this person, [redacted], being at that  
establishment.

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LEADS:

PORTLAND

AT PORTLAND, OREGON:

1. Contact Portland Police Department and Multnomah  
County Sheriff's Office for a theft report on [redacted]  
license Washington [redacted]

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[redacted]. Upon locating this signed theft report, set  
appropriate leads for investigation to be conducted at Tacoma,  
Washington, which is alleged to be the place of recovery,  
particularly at [redacted] to determine if registration  
cards can be secured at that location. It is to be noted that  
date of theft will further identify date [redacted]  
[redacted].

2. Contact JAN (last name unknown) barmaid at Jublitz  
truck stop Marine View Drive, North Portland, and determine  
if the name D.B. COOPER is familiar to her or to any other  
individuals who are permanently employed at that location.

SAN FRANCISCO

AT MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA:

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Contact personnel of the Monterey County Sheriff's  
Office on information furnished by [redacted] and conduct  
credit check in the name of [redacted], to attempt to  
identify this individual. Secure full description and  
photographs to be forwarded to the Seattle Division to be  
shown to witnesses in the event [redacted] is identified.

SEATTLE

AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON:

Upon results of investigation requested at San  
Francisco and Portland, set appropriate lead for investigation  
to be conducted at Tacoma, Washington.

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148 PM URGENT 12-14-71 TJT

TO DENVER

PORTLAND (164-41)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) 1P

*JAMES RAY FUGATE*

NORJAK

RE: JAMES RAY FUGATE

RE MINNEAOLIS TELETYPE DECEMBER THIRTEEN, LAST;

DALLAS TELETYPE TO MINNEAOLIS DECEMBER THIRTEEN, LAST.

FOR INFO PORTLAND AND DENVER, REFERENCED DALLAS  
TELETYPE TO MINNEAPOLIS RELATED NO FEDERAL PENITENTIARY  
LOCATED AT LUBBOCK, TEXAS.

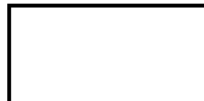
IT IS REQUESTED THAT DENVER AND PORTLAND, DURING  
COURSE OF INVESTIGATION, DETERMINE INSTITUTION OF INCARCERATION  
FOR FUGATE AND SET OUT APPROPRIATE LEADS CONCERNING BACKGROUND  
INFORMATION AND OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH.

UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

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440PM URGENT 12-14-71 CXF

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

KANSAS CITY

PORTLAND

SACRAMENTO

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497)

*Geo. Bryan Siegrist, Jr.*

NORJAK.

RE KANSAS CITY TELETYPE TO LOS ANGELES, DECEMBER TEN LAST.

RE SUSPECT GEORGE BRYAN SIEGRIST, JR.

FOR INFORMATION SEATTLE AND SACRAMENTO, [REDACTED],

[REDACTED], KANSAS, ADVISED [REDACTED] OF OPINION

SIEGRIST [REDACTED] IS POSSIBLY RESPONSIBLE

FOR CAPTIONED CRIME. OPINION BASED ON ARTIST'S SKETCH.

SIEGRIST'S WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. WAS ALLEGEDLY RESIDING SOME-  
WHERE IN PORTLAND, OREGON AREA AND PREVIOUSLY SERVED TWO OR  
MORE SENTENCES CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE FOR MEN, CHINO, CALIFORNIA.

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SIEGRIST DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE AMERICAN, BORN NOVEMBER TWENTYSEVEN, NINETEEN TWENTYTHREE, FIVE FEET NINE INCHES, ONE SIXTY EIGHT POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES, FAIR COMPLEXION, FBI NUMBER SIX EIGHT NINE FOUR ZERO B. NO RECENT PHOTO AVAILABLE TO SCHRADERS.

INVESTIGATION BY LOS ANGELES AT CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE FOR MEN, CHINO, CALIFORNIA, FAILS TO REVEAL ANY RECORD IDENTIFIABLE WITH SIEGRIST. NCIC NEGATIVE. NO RECORD IDENTIFIABLE LOS ANGELES INDICES OR DRIVERS LICENSE DIVISION, CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

KANSAS CITY, AT STERLING, KANSAS, CONDUCT ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION TO DEVELOP INFORMATION REGARDING RELATIVES AND ASSOCIATES POSSIBLY KNOWING WHEREABOUTS OF SIEGRIST AND SET FORTH LEADS TO ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD.

SACRAMENTO, AT VACAVILLE, CALIFORNIA, REVIEW RECORDS CALIFORNIA CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION, VACAVILLE, IN EFFORT TO IDENTIFY SIEGRIST AS FORMER INMATE AND DEVELOP LEADS TO LOCATE AND ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS.

PORTLAND, AT PORTLAND, OREGON, CHECK CREDIT AND CRIMINAL RECORDS IN EFFORT TO ASCERTAIN WHEREABOUTS OF SIEGRIST.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Date: 12/14/71

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Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT  
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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

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SUMMARY TELETYPE

INVESTIGATION RE ELIMINATION OF LOOK-ALIKE SUSPECTS  
CONTINUING BUT NO POSITIVE INFORMATION HAS BEEN DEVELOPED.

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 457 P M Per L

NR 003 PD PLAIN

6:17 PM URGENT 12-14-71 AJW

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

NORJAK

RE PD NITEL TO SE AND LA DECEMBER ELEVEN SEVENTYONE, AND  
SE NITEL TO PD DECEMBER THIRTEEN SEVENTYONE.

SUSPECT: CLYDE KENNEDY

KENNEDY WAS ELIMINATED ON BASIS OF COLOR OF HAIR, COLOR OF  
EYES, AGE AND HEIGHT. IS IS NOTED PORTLAND WITNESS

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PUTS UNSUB AT SIX FEE ONE INCH PLUS AND HE OBSERVED HIM  
WHILE HE WAS STANDING.

END

*FBI-SE  
FEE*

*ASSIGNED  
DUGAN*

*12-14-71-439*

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Date: 12/14/71

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT  
(Priority)

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

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NORJAK

RE SACRAMENTO AIRTEL TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER SEVEN SEVENTYONE.

SUSPECT: [REDACTED]

WITNESS [REDACTED], NORTHWEST AIRLINES, PORTLAND, OREGON,

SAID [REDACTED] BEARS A RESEMBLANCE TO THE HIJACKER BUT HE IS NOT THE HIJACKER.

[REDACTED], NORTHWEST AIRLINES, PORTLAND, SAID PHOTOGRAPH OF [REDACTED] IS NOT FAMILIAR TO HIM. PENDING.

AIRMAIL COPY TO SACRAMENTO.

- 1 - Sacramento (164-50)  
① - Portland

NBB:1bt  
(2) [Signature]

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Agent in Charge

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Date: 12/14/71

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE NITEL  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR (164-2111)  
SEATTLE (164-81)  
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RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO PORTLAND DATED DECEMBER THIRTEEN,  
SEVENTYONE.

SUSPECT [REDACTED]

ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE, SEVENTYONE, SUSPECT AND [REDACTED] INTER-  
VIEWED AT [REDACTED], DALLAS,  
OREGON, BY OFFICER [REDACTED], DALLAS SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT THE SUSPECT, BORN [REDACTED],  
LOOKS HIS AGE AND COULD NOT BE IDENTICAL WITH THE HIJACKER.

SUSPECT ARRESTED [REDACTED], FOR [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] BY OFFICER [REDACTED], DALLAS SHERIFF'S  
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ALSO STATES THAT SUSPECT DEFINITELY DOES NOT FIT DESCRIPTION OF  
HIJACKER.

[ ] IS DESCRIBED AS WHITE, MALE, AGE [ ] SIX FOOT  
ONE INCH, ONE FIVE ZERO POUNDS, BLUE EYES, SHORT BROWN HAIR,  
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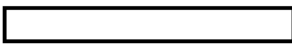
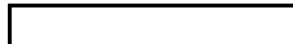

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JIM ALLEN, SUPERVISOR, REDMOND JUMP CENTER, U.S. FOREST SERVICE, REDMOND, OREGON, ADVISED SA  ON DECEMBER FOURTEEN SEVENTYONE HE DOES NOT RECOGNIZE NAME  OR SIMILAR NAME. HE KNOWS  BUT THIS INDIVIDUAL DOES NOT FIT DESCRIPTION OF UNSUB IN ANY WAY AND HE HAS CLOSE CROPPED RED HAIR.

AIR MAIL COPY TO BUTTE.

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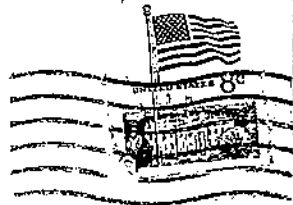
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The enclosures were received from [redacted] in this morning's mail. I confess I see no resemblance, but if you agree with [redacted] you may have a clue...in fact, I hope so, as you will note from the clipping of my column which also is enclosed.

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